

Brimfield Town Reports

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Brimfield

AND OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944 -49

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1945

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Town Officers — 1944

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

HERBERT A. FOGG

Selectmen

JAMES H. BLAIR

CHENEY F. NEWTON

EDWIN F. FENTON

Assessors

ARTHUR B. BROWN

Term expires 1946

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Term expires 1945

JOHN M. HALEY

Term expires 1947

Board of Public Welfare

ROGER H. DAVIS

Term expires 1946

JAMES A. G. HOYT

Term expires 1945

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

Term expires 1947

School Committee

HENRY LACH

Term expires 1946

PAULINE D. HATCH

Term expires 1945

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Term expires 1947

Cemetery Commission

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CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1946
CLARENCE B. BROWN	Term expires 1945
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1947

Library Trustees

ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1946
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1946
IRVING P. SHERMAN	Term expires 1945
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1945
EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1947
NORMAN M. MacLEOD, JR. (Resigned)	1946
	Term expires 1947

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE 174	HARRY B. LANDEN 171
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK 150	JAMES V. HOWLETT 77
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1946
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1945
ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1947

Jury List

ALBERT H. SMITH	PERCY N. MOORE*
SIMON H. BALDINA	ORLO P. PARKER
ERNEST J. COLLETTE	ELMER W. CONKLIN
ALBERT R. HASTINGS	OTIS A. L. CLARKE*
MARK C. NEWTON*	

* Drawn

Appointive Town Officers 1944

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK

Chief of Fire Department and Fire Warden

HARRY B. LANDEN

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE N. FREEMAN

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. IRVING P. SHERMAN

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Fence Viewers

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
 NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

Field Drivers

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE CHESTER H. NORTON
 L. VICTOR HOWLETT

Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE

Dog Officer

CHESTER H. NORTON

Town Counsel

ERNEST E. HOBSON

Finance Committee

THOMAS L. MAGRATH	Term expires 1946
FRED N. LAWRENCE	Term expires 1946
JAMES E. McINTYRE	Term expires 1946
ROE S. CLARK	Term expires 1945
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1945
ELMER W. CONKLIN	Term expires 1945
CARL L. STEARNS	Term expires 1947
E. STANLEY PARKER	Term expires 1947
THOMAS W. HALEY	Term expires 1947

Town Clerk's Report

The town held one special meeting on July 19, 1944, at which time the following appropriations were voted—all from available funds: \$600.00 for Charity, \$300.00 for Dependent Children, \$500.00 for Old Age Assistance and \$100.00 for Old Age Assistance Administration, \$828.00 to pay the salaries of two additional teachers to January 1, 1945, and \$3,000.00 to make necessary repairs to the schools of the town.

It was also voted to discontinue certain unused portions of roads.

1944 being an Election Year proved to be a very busy one. An attempt was made to send Absentee Ballots not only to our qualified voters in the Armed Services, wherever they might be, but also to those twenty-one years of age or older, who had never had the opportunity to register in person. Massachusetts having passed laws making this possible.

An application for a ballot from a service man himself or from someone near of kin was followed immediately by the sending out of the ballot by Air Mail. Of thirty-one sent, nineteen came back in time to be counted.

I wish to thank all departments for their splendid cooperation and the many individuals for their courtesy and help.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL B. PEIRCE

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

53	Resident Fishing	
22	Resident Women's and Minors' Fishing	
2	Non-Resident Fishing	
5	Special Non-Resident Fishing	
35	Resident Hunting	
33	Resident Sporting	
12	Resident Sporting (Free)	
4	Resident Trapping	
3	Resident Military or Naval Sporting (Free)	
1	Duplicate	

DOGS LICENSED — 1944

106	Male	@ \$2.00	\$212.00	
34	Female	@ 5.00	170.00	
39	Spayed Female	@ 2.00	78.00	
1	Kennel		25.00	
1	Kennel		10.00	
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				\$495.00
Less Clerk's fees, 181 @ 20c				36.20
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Balance paid Treasurer				\$458.80

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
January		
30	Roger William Cutler	Robert J. and Lillian (Thebarger)
February		
7	Ellen Rebecca Cox	William B. and Nancy (Edwards)
March		
29	Lorraine Judy St. Pierre	Alphonse J. and Annette (Fournier)
April		
25	Carol Elizabeth Kinney	Albert L. and Doris E. (Rochette)
May		
11	Alfred Stanley Kresco	Edward P. and Blanche (Cloutier)
18	Nulph	Donald and Gertrude (White)
June		
3	Albert Durward Silvius	Charles K. and Vera A. (Oetjen)
6	David Francis Hitchcock	Harold E. and Helena (Welsh)
26	Carol Ann Lach	Henry and Margaret E. (Killian)
July		
24	Illegitimate	
August		
11	Karolyn Kay Gondek	Andrew W. and Kathryn (McNamara)
September		
18	Phyllis Anne Bonneau	Arthur J. and Mary (Michalczyk)
October		
15	George Leonard Thompson	Roy O. and Grace E. (Sherman)
31	Nancy Lu Graham	Floyd L. and Barbara O. (Gilman)
December		
15	Garrett Charles Brinsley	Charles E. and Lona H. (Chase)

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
1	Donald R. Martin	Brimfield	Helen E. Morus	Dudley
February				
9	Benjamin J. Robichaud	Monson	Emily Mae DellaPenna	Brimfield
May				
8	Timothy F. Sweetman, Jr.	Wilbraham	Jeanne Stokosa	Wilbraham
13	Douglas Broga	Brimfield	Irene Frederick	Dudley
June				
17	Donald Nulph	Brimfield	Gertrude M. White	Brimfield
30	James C. D. Chalmers	Brimfield	Marion C. Jackson	Rockville, Conn.
July				
8	Harley H. Landen	Brimfield	Evelyn I. Bickford	Brimfield
August				
13	George B. Sherman, Jr.	Brimfield	Phyllis C. Turcotte	Ware
September				
1	Quinten R. Pratt	Brimfield	Elizabeth Squier	Monson
6	John M. White	Natick	Thelma White	Los Angeles, Calif.
16	Alfred J. Houle	Southbridge	Elizabeth Gagliardi	Brimfield
October				
14	Max W. Edwards	Brimfield	Joyce L. Norton	Brimfield
November				
11	Ralph Mantha	Brimfield	Rachel Boucher	Putnam, Conn.

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
4	Alexander Matheson	56	10	25
31	Edna B. Taylor Keith	57	6	17
February				
10	Absalom John Skinner	89	2	1
April				
28	Charles H. Drumm	76		
May				
25	Kathryn Brown Adams	39	11	26
June				
10	John Maynard	67	11	16
July				
18	Olive Gilman	82	5	
August				
17	Dora Sherman Broga	54	1	3
October				
3	John Langstein	67		
11	Louis F. Harnois	81		5
November				
6	Donald C. Beers	39	2	10

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1944	\$14,501.33	
Receipts during year	115,517.19	
	<hr/>	\$130,018.52

Paid on Treasury Warrants	\$118,951.23	
Cash on hand December 31, 1944	11,067.29	
	<hr/>	\$130,018.52

I have verified the treasurer's balance by actual count of her cash on hand.

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Jan. 1, 1945.

Town Accountant

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue—Taxes

Current Year	\$27,814.03	
Previous Years	5,777.88	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,496.67	
Income Tax	4,983.32	
Corporation Tax	2,315.86	
Reimbursement, loss of taxes (State)	420.02	
Meals Tax	292.22	
	<hr/>	\$43,100.00

Grants and Gifts from State

Mass. School Fund	\$3,428.43	
Union Superintendent	483.38	
Vocational Education	97.87	
High School Grant	1,035.71	
Highway Fund	4,019.12	
	<hr/>	9,064.51

From County, Dog Fund	439.21
Sealer's Fees	14.39

Licenses:

Liquor	250.00
Others	52.95

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	5,924.19
Aid to Dependent Children	42.00
Rent of Town Hall	120.00

Highways

From State	\$8,331.90	
From County	1,289.81	
From Mill Owner	197.80	
Sale of Plow	125.00	
	<hr/>	9,944.51
Town Machinery		2,773.37

Charities

Town of Sturbridge	\$1,104.73	
From Individuals	13.80	
O. A. A. from State	5,288.89	
O. A. A. from other towns	245.31	
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Schools

Tuition, Town of Wales	\$1,480.00	
Tuition of State Wards	3,861.24	
Sale of Material	43.40	
H. F. A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	7,384.64

Miscellaneous

Court Fines	\$ 13.60	
Library Fines	10.27	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	20.00	
Reimbursement for digging graves	89.60	
Reimbursement for foundations	57.33	
Demands on Poll Taxes	9.10	
Tax Title Costs	13.18	
Compensation Insurance Fund	262.87	
Bequest to establish playground	414.14	
	<hr/>	890.09

Interest

On Taxes	\$170.10	
Perpetual Care Funds	308.66	
Library Trust Funds	119.42	
On Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	128.20	
	<hr/>	726.38

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in anticipation of revenue	\$15,000.00	
In anticipation of reimbursement	9,875.00	
	<hr/>	24,875.00

Agency and Trust

Dog Licenses for County	\$458.80	
Funds for Perpetual Care	165.64	
Victory and War Tax withheld	2,328.58	
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Refunds		310.20
Cash on hand beginning of year		14,501.33
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		\$130,018.52

PAYMENTS**General Government****Selectmen**

Salaries	\$650.00
Clerk	100.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	19.56
Association dues	9.00
Perambulating bounds	29.40
Lunch for election officers	13.35
Dog Officer	46.12
Other	7.75

 \$875.13

Balance	24.87
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Appropriation	\$900.00
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Town Accountant

Salary	\$480.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	33.99
Telephone	4.50

 \$518.49

Balance	6.51
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Appropriation	\$525.00
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Treasurer

Salary	\$400.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	67.31
Surety Bond	26.50

Burglary Insurance	22.00
Safe Deposit Box Rent	4.80
Tax Deeds, recording, etc.	33.00
Travel Expense	15.50

 \$575.71

Balance	24.29
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Appropriation	\$600.00
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Tax Collector

Salary	\$400.00
Surety Bond	37.50
Deputy's Bond	5.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	132.28
Telephone	9.58
Travel and Expense	26.90

 \$611.26

Balance	.74
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Appropriation and Transfer	\$612.00
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Assessors

Salaries	\$600.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	35.35
Travel Expense	49.00
Clerical Assistance	40.95
Other	37.65

 \$762.95

Balance	37.05
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Appropriation	\$800.00
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Town Clerk

Salary	\$100.00
Recording Fees	26.50
Printing, Postage, etc.	50.54
Surety Bond	7.50
Other	21.24
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	\$205.78
Balance	.22
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Appropriation and Transfer	\$206.00

Election and Registration

Registrars	\$ 35.20
Election Officers	153.04
Printing	53.00
Street Lists	72.35
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	\$313.59
Balance	.41
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Appropriation and Transfer	\$314.00

Certifying Notes

Certification	\$ 6.00
Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$ 10.00

Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	100.00

Town Hall

Salary, Janitor	\$432.00
Fuel	333.26
Light	68.22
Janitor's Supplies	20.86
Repairs	339.88
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	\$1,194.22
Balance	5.78
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Appropriation	\$1,200.00

Town Hall Repairs

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Expended	2,148.10
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Balance carried to 1945	\$851.90

Total General Government	\$7,311.23
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**Police**

Constables' Services	\$121.42
Flasher Current	20.28
Auto Hire	2.00
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	\$143.70
Balance	6.30
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Appropriation	\$150.00

Fire Department

Salary, Chief	\$ 50.00
Oil Permits	86.00
Insurance	23.84
Storage	180.00
Telephone	35.59
Equipment	69.28
Gas and Oil	15.92
Repairs	11.03
Association Dues	3.00
Water Holes	165.20
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	\$639.86
Balance	10.14
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Appropriation	\$650.00

Forest Fire

Forest Fire Payrolls	\$265.60
Storage and Gasoline	191.93
Fire Permits	19.75
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	\$477.28
Balance	22.72
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Appropriation	\$500.00

Gypsy Moth Suppression

Labor	\$273.05
Transportation	23.75
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	\$296.80
Balance	3.20
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Appropriation	\$300.00

Tree Warden

Salary and Wages	\$ 40.40
Balance	9.60
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Appropriation	\$ 50.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	\$ 50.00
Transportation	6.00
Equipment	2.00
Postage and Repairs	2.00
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Appropriation	\$ 60.00

Civilian Defense

Rent	\$ 45.00
Supplies	12.00
Telephone	57.20
P. O. Box Rent	1.05
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	\$115.25
Balance	84.75
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Appropriation	\$200.00

Total, Protection of Persons and Property \$1,773.29

Health

County Hospital Assessment	\$ 84.73
Slaughtering Inspection	21.50
Cattle Inspection	2.00
Printing	3.86
Association Dues	5.00
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	\$117.09
Balance	132.91
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Appropriation	\$250.00

HIGHWAYS**Chapter 81**

Labor	\$3,408.17
Town Machinery	1,509.25
Hired Trucks and Machinery	1,479.00
Tools and Materials	3,449.90
Compensation Insurance	128.64

 \$9,974.96

Balance .04

 \$9,975.00

State Allotment	\$7,875.00
Town Appropriation	2,100.00
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	\$9,975.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$1,333.30
Town Machinery	423.50
Hired Equipment	274.45
Materials	921.03
Compensation Insurance	47.72

 \$3,000.00

State Allotment	\$1,000.00
County Allotment	1,000.00
Town Appropriation	1,000.00
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	\$3,000.00

General Highways

Labor	\$1,081.23	
Town Machinery	407.87	
Materials, etc.	821.59	
Compensation Insurance	27.60	
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	\$2,338.29	
Town Appropriation		\$2,000.00
Allotment by Mill Owner		197.80
Overdrawn		140.49
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		\$2,338.29

Street Lighting

Worcester County Electric Co.	\$931.00
Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$935.00

Machinery Account

Labor	\$283.24	
Storage, Repairs, etc.	1,269.26	
Gas and Oil	642.27	
Rent	100.00	
Insurance	150.88	
Express and Telephone	28.72	
New Plow	422.00	
Compensation Insurance	6.77	
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	\$2,903.14	
Transferred to Fund	225.38	
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Appropriation	\$3,128.52	
Total, Highway		\$19,147.39

Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board	\$147.88	
Telephone, Transportation, etc.	24.55	
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Cost of Administration	\$172.43	\$172.43
Board and Care	\$136.55	
Cash relief granted	752.60	
Fuel	90.00	
Hospital and Medical Care	118.45	
Clothing	76.15	
Rent	213.00	
Groceries and Provisions	188.01	
Relief by other towns	459.51	
All Other	118.97	
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	\$2,153.24	2,153.24
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		\$2,325.67
Balance		174.33
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Appropriation and Transfer		\$2,500.00

Old Age Assistance

Funds available from 1943	\$2,093.27
Federal Grants, 1944	5,731.91
Town Appropriation	6,500.00
Refund	57.75
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	\$14,382.93
Cash Grants	13,092.18
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Balance in Federal Funds	\$1,290.75

Old Age Assistance, Administrative

Balance available from 1943	\$ 30.21	
Federal Grants, 1944	192.28	
Town Appropriation	160.00	
	<hr/>	\$382.49
Salaries and services	\$190.48	
Hired services	36.27	
Other expense	102.66	
	<hr/>	329.41
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Balance in Federal Funds		\$ 53.08

Aid to Dependent Children

Funds available from 1943	\$564.94	
Federal Grant	42.00	
Town Appropriation	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$906.94
Cash Grants	\$291.60	
Balance in Federal Funds	433.54	
Balance in town appropriation	181.80	
	<hr/>	\$906.94

Soldiers' Benefits

Cash Grants	\$170.00	
Balance	130.00	
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Appropriation	\$300.00	

Schools

General Administration	\$1,788.21
Teachers' Salaries	16,435.00
Text Books and Supplies	1,248.71

Janitor Service	1,650.00
Fuel and Light	1,339.83
Repairs, etc.	101.28
Health	275.00
Transportation	6,171.90
Graduation Exercises	24.17
Janitor's Supplies	264.47
Boiler Inspection	10.00
Improvement of Grounds	682.18
All Other	171.48
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	\$30,162.23
Balance	10.77
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Appropriation	\$30,173.00

Trade School Tuition

Tuition Paid	\$249.06
Balance	.94
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Appropriation	\$250.00

Special School Repairs

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Expended	3,000.00

Library

Salary, Librarian	\$480.00
Assistant at East Brimfield	13.00
Janitor	150.00
Books and Periodicals	151.77
Fuel	286.15
Light	13.08

Repairs	3.00	
Insurance	35.00	
Printing, Postage, etc.	26.10	
	<hr/>	\$1,158.10

Appropriation	\$600.00	
Dog Fund	439.21	
Income from Funds	119.42	
Balance	.53	
	<hr/>	\$1,158.10

Common

Labor	\$112.75	
Supplies	3.78	
Repairs	20.00	
Town Machinery	4.00	
Compensation Insurance	1.38	
	<hr/>	\$141.61
Balance	8.39	
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Appropriation	\$150.00	

Memorial Day

Speaker	\$ 5.00	
Music	21.80	
Labor	7.20	
Plants	41.25	
Flags	24.75	
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Appropriation	\$100.00	

Insurance, Town Property

Premiums paid	\$ 69.95	
Balance	155.05	
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Appropriation	\$225.00	

Compensation Insurance

Premium paid	\$327.10
Transfer to Fund	129.40
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Appropriation	\$456.50

County Aid to Agriculture

Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Expended	50.00

Honor Roll

Appropriation	\$300.00
Expended	296.85
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Balance	\$ 3.15

Town Reports

Printing	\$247.50
Postage	11.64
Typing and Preparing	15.00
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	\$274.14
Balance	10.86
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Appropriation	\$285.00

Unpaid Bills

Election and Registration	\$ 19.20
Forest Fire	16.88
Tuition	66.00
Charity	73.15
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Appropriation	\$175.23

Old Center Schoolhouse

Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Expended	17.25
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Balance	\$ 32.75

Interest

On Temporary Loans	\$ 77.36
On Highways Loans	35.52
On Schoolhouse Bonds	500.00
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	\$612.88
Balance	37.12
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Appropriation	\$650.00

Cemetery

Labor	\$357.34
Truck hire	20.65
Repairs	18.15
Supplies	68.75
Compensation Insurance	4.78
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	\$469.67
Balance	30.33
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Appropriation	\$500.00

Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$15,000.00
Highway Loans	9,875.00
Schoolhouse Bond	2,000.00
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	\$26,875.00

Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$2,392.34
County Tax	1,531.10
Dog Licenses for County	458.80
Perpetual Care Funds	308.66
Ditto to establish fund	165.64
War Tax withheld	2,328.58
Purchase of War Bonds	3,000.00
Deposited interest on same	100.00

Refunds:

Poll and Property Tax	102.92
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	15.44
Old Age Assistance account	10.82
Cash on hand, end of year	11,067.29
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	\$130,018.52

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand January 1, 1945	\$11,067.29
Taxes, Levy of 1944	4,868.90
Levy of 1943	99.64
Tax Title	9.30
Tax Possessions	540.08
Accounts Receivable, Welfare Dept.	542.90
Due from State, a/c Highways	1,107.64
Overdraft, Gen'l Highway Acct.	140.49

Liabilities

Overlay, Levy of 1944	\$283.99
Levy of 1943	99.64
Overlay Surplus	2,474.75
Revenue Reserved until Collected:	
Departmental Revenue	542.90
Tax Title Revenue	549.38
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Sale Real Estate Fund	1,092.28
Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	47.84
Machinery Fund	115.00
Compensation Insurance Fund	2,972.75
Loan in Anticipation of Reimbursement	391.02
Account Balances Carried to 1945:	2,000.00
Federal Grants, O.A.A.	1,343.48
Federal Grants, A.D.C.	455.39
O.A.A. Refund Account	195.73
Town Hall Repairs	851.90
Edgar Brown Playground Fund	414.14
Int. on Govt. Bonds (to be deposited)	28.27
Overpay't on Excise Tax to be refunded	.60
Surplus Revenue	5,609.53

\$18,376.24

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Trust and Investment Funds:
Cash on Deposit

TRUST FUNDS

Name of Fund	
Harriet Harding	\$2,805.93
Harriet Allen	632.03
James D. Lincoln	5,038.01
Mary K. Hyde	831.50
Ursula J. Shaw	2,489.09
Eudocia C. Flynt	103.52
Julia Ellen Coy	645.04
Albert G. Tarbell	200.00
Elizabeth B. Robinson	411.41
Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00
Emily Allen Woods	500.00
Chamberlain-Smith	570.15
Cemetery Gate	30.99
Cemetery Wall	396.41
Perpetual Care Funds	17,871.68
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	8,170.90
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	\$41,696.66

Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944

OUTSTANDING DEBT

\$23,000.00 Schoolhouse Bonded Loan \$23,000.00

Tax Collector's Report

1944

Commitments as per warrants	\$33,100.04
Abatements, refunded	102.92
	<hr/> \$33,202.96
Cash to Treasurer	\$27,824.18
Abatements	522.03
	<hr/> \$28,346.21
Less interest collected	10.15
	<hr/> 28,336.06
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Outstanding December 31, 1944	\$4,866.90

1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$5,904.62
Cash to Treasurer	\$5,929.14
To Tax Title	9.30
	<hr/> \$5,938.44
Less interest collected	151.26
	<hr/> 5,787.18
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	\$117.44
Error in assessment, to be abated	49.29
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Outstanding December 31, 1944	\$ 68.15

Motor Vehicle Excise—1944

Commitments as per warrants	\$1,442.88
Abatements refunded	15.44
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	\$1,458.32

Cash to Treasurer	\$1,444.06	
Abatements	15.44	
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	\$1,459.50	
Less interest collected	.58	
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	\$1,458.92	
Overpayment to Treasurer	.60	
	<hr/>	\$1,458.32

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$ 8.00
Commitments in January, 1944	8.00
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	\$ 16.00
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 16.00

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$ 37.19
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 45.10
Less interest collected	7.91
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	\$ 37.19

HERBERT A. FOGG

Collector of Taxes

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

We have cared for both the Cemetery at the Center and at West Brimfield.

Owing to the dry season we have been able to save enough from mowing to put on 50 yards of fertilizer, which we hope will bring the grass back in good condition. We have oiled the roads.

For opening graves and putting in foundations, the town has been reimbursed \$146.93. We have also received \$20 from the sale of lots.

Your Commissioners are asking for \$500, which in their opinion is needed to give the Cemeteries proper care this coming year.

CHENEY F. NEWTON

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

CLARENCE B. BROWN

Cemetery Commissioners

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE OF CEMETERY

E. J. Collette	\$137.60
L. V. Howlett	49.00
P. J. McIntyre	18.85
George Hitchcock	78.95
Byron Russell	3.15
Percy Moore	13.00
George Dockham	6.30
Joseph Van Hook	16.04
C. F. Newton	11.40
Stanley Adams	4.55
Munroe Tarbell, Jr.	2.75
James Adams, Jr.	8.75
Joseph Theberge	4.00
Harold Hitchcock	3.00
Ralph Hall, fertilizer	10.00
S. C. Hicks, sand	.90
Geo. Hitchcock, postage, etc.	3.60
L. V. Howlett, horse	2.90
George Sherman, truck	2.25
C. W. Robinson, supplies	2.75
B. E. Campbell, repairs	1.75
C. F. Newton, cement	1.50
Brimfield Garage	4.41
Barrett Co., tarvia	50.00
F. C. Taplin Co.	11.99
Town Machinery	15.50
Compensation Insurance	4.78
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	\$469.67

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

E. J. Collette	\$105.10
George Hitchcock	39.65
Joseph Van Hook	28.10
Byron Russell	2.45
L. V. Howlett	2.45
C. F. Newton	5.20
Freeman McCabe	7.90
Ezio DeSantis	5.00
Ralph H. Hall	4.00
F. C. Taplin Co.	59.50
The Barrett Co.	30.87
Faulkner Hardware Co.	3.30
Brimfield Garage	7.53
Town Machinery	3.50
Compensation Insurance	4.11
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	\$308.66

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.72
Jennie Agard	500.00	571.40
Stephen Agard	100.00	115.42
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	129.03
Charles Sumner Allen	100.00	100.25
George Allen	100.00	173.29
Elijah Allen	100.00	111.28
Massena B. Allen	100.00	100.82
George Bacon	100.00	142.38
Calvin Baker	100.00	110.80
Francis Bliss	200.00	246.65
Louis Blodgett	100.00	100.77
Francis H. Boardman	100.00	105.56
Sanford Booth	100.00	105.76
Asheal Bennett	500.00	527.12
Herbert Bradway	100.00	108.00
Charles O. Brown	100.00	111.92
Harriet Brown	100.00	136.82
Albert R. Brown	100.00	101.09
F. Edgar Brown	165.64	166.47
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	100.88
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	105.91
Arthur Brown	100.00	114.41
Dauphin Brown	100.00	104.30
Jonathan Brown	100.00	125.05
J. R. Brown	100.00	101.31
James Buxton	100.00	136.33
Darius and Abraham Charles	300.00	311.80

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance
		Dec. 31, 1944
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	211.05
Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	235.23
Chamberlain and Dyer	200.00	216.47
Charles and Bacon	100.00	100.72
Alfred Converse	100.00	103.47
Marcus Converse	100.00	116.30
Frank H. Cook	100.00	125.74
Miner Corbin	100.00	106.15
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	136.88
Seth Dunham	100.00	126.90
Charles S. Davis	100.00	105.99
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,047.02
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	123.24
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	122.20
Frederick M. Fenton	200.00	203.07
Ferry and Robinson	100.00	131.81
Ferry and Dix	50.00	50.80
John Foster	100.00	175.52
Etta Fiske	100.00	125.62
Marshall W. French	200.00	247.81
George A. Furness	75.00	80.19
Nathan Goodell	52.00	51.44
William H. Green	100.00	104.00
Lyman Griggs	100.00	105.20
Thomas Harwood	100.00	104.66
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	127.95
David Hitchcock	100.00	122.96
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	76.59
Orson Holdridge	50.00	50.87
Linus Homer	100.00	173.39
George Homer	50.00	50.61
Newton S. Hubbard	100.00	114.67
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	290.49
Albion Janes	100.00	122.02
Edwin Janes	100.00	125.37

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance
		Dec. 31, 1944
David W. Janes	200.00	217.75
H. E. and C. R. Janes	100.00	104.84
Austin Jennison	50.00	50.52
Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	117.66
Asa Lawrence	50.00	50.68
James and Asa Lincoln	500.00	628.57
F. A. Lombard	100.00	100.82
Charles E. Lombard	100.00	126.46
Charles O. Lumbard	100.00	122.33
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	161.30
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	120.64
Nathan G. Lyman	75.00	76.80
Edward P. Marriott	100.00	104.41
Charles H. Moore	100.00	106.29
Joseph Marcy	75.00	78.84
Jason Morse	100.00	139.37
Abligence Newell	100.00	111.43
Abner Nichols	100.00	108.96
Emily Noyes	100.00	123.25
John Noyes	100.00	105.34
Cheney Newton	100.00	118.09
Arthur Palmer	100.00	105.93
Fred and Orra Parker	100.00	105.64
Melissa Parker	200.00	314.27
Porter Parker	200.00	248.20
Sumner Parker	100.00	105.86
Etta Pierce	100.00	156.03
Pierce and Dunsmore	200.00	209.35
Albert W. Pierson	100.00	108.62
Norman Powers	75.00	78.27
George Puffer	100.00	108.58
Augusta Rice	100.00	120.56
F. H. Robertson	75.00	78.73
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	224.84
E. T. Sherman	200.00	206.74

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	134.85
John Sherman	100.00	108.66
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	107.72
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	159.72
Everts Tarbell	200.00	240.13
John Tunison	100.00	113.36
Joseph Vail	100.00	116.59
Charles C. Warren	100.00	119.29
Lily J. Warren	200.00	236.64
Fred M. Webber	100.00	119.82
Jane Webber	100.00	102.51
Jonathan Webber	100.00	131.10
Lilla and Charles Webber	100.00	106.63
Mary Wheeler	50.00	51.79
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	674.93
Wight and Foskett	100.00	114.33
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	104.92
Thomas Williams	200.00	215.81
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	104.66
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	\$15,617.64	\$17,871.68

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR HIGHWAYS UNDER CHAPTER 81

LABOR

Harold Hitchcock	\$945.00
L. V. Howlett	166.45
George Dockham	450.85
Richard Hicks	416.90
William Hicks	188.30
Joseph Messier	493.35
Alonzo Carpenter	174.00
Herman Horton	18.52
Robert Marriott	26.60
Kenneth Harmon	13.00
James Maloney	38.50
William Cadieux	38.50
Leslie Dewey	2.00
Byron Russell	61.60
John Maynard	1.30
Geo. B. Hitchcock	2.80
Homer Coolbroth	4.00
James Adams, Jr.	29.40
Munroe Tarbell, Jr.	212.00
Geo. B. Sherman	2.10
John Sherman	87.50
Edward Sheeran	3.50
Frank Walker	32.00

\$3,408.17

HIRED EQUIPMENT

Edward Sheeran	\$ 55.50
Town of Sturbridge	24.00
John Moran	90.00
Chester Hulse	32.00
Frank Shields	96.00
E. N. Christiansen	100.00
Town of Brookfield	88.00
H. F. Conroy Est.	96.00
Lloyd Moulton	25.00
Chicopee Sand and Gravel Co.	872.50
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	\$1,479.00

MATERIALS

S. C. Hicks, Gravel	\$ 58.35
Tirzah K. Lane, Gravel	45.00
Ernest Roberts, Gravel	48.75
Wallace Fountain, Gravel	30.00
Louis Gagliardi, Gravel	28.88
Barrett Co., Tarvia	3,039.42
State Prison Colony	182.55
C. W. Robinson	6.75
Harold Hitchcock, telephone	10.20
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	\$3,449.90

Compensation Insurance	128.64
Town Machinery	1,509.25
Total Expenditures	\$9,974.96
Balance Unexpended	.04

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	\$9,975.00	\$9,975.00
Town Appropriation	\$2,100.00	
State Allotment	7,875.00	
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		\$9,975.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

LABOR

Harold Hitchcock	\$255.00
George Dockham	165.20
Munroe Tarbell, Jr.	65.80
Richard Hicks	77.70
Geo. B. Hitchcock	2.80
L. V. Howlett	44.80
William Hicks	130.20
Joseph Messier	198.80
John Sherman	60.20
Robert Marriott	153.30
James Adams, Jr.	16.80
James Newton	5.60
Alonzo Carpenter	89.60
P. T. Brown	67.50
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	\$1,333.30

HIRED MACHINERY

L. W. Moulton, Shovel	\$181.00
Chester Hulse, Truck	26.00
Edward Sheeran, Truck	31.45
E. N. Christiansen, Loader	36.00
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	\$274.45

MATERIALS

Haley's Grain Store	\$ 10.50
S. C. Hicks	29.25
Geo. B. Sherman	20.80
State Prison Colony	84.15
Barrett Co.	776.33
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	\$921.03

Compensation Insurance	47.72	
Town Machinery	423.50	
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Total expenditures	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Town Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
State Allotment	1,000.00	
County Allotment	1,000.00	
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		\$3,000.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL HIGHWAYS

Harold Hitchcock	\$251.70
Leslie Dewey	90.50
Byron Russell	90.30
P. J. McIntyre	41.20
Alonzo Carpenter	11.20
Richard Hicks	43.30
Kenneth Howlett	4.20
Joseph Van Hook	2.55
George Dockham	57.60
L. V. Howlett	121.80
John Maynard	20.15
Stanley Adams	18.20
Ernest Roberts	38.50
Arthur B. Brown	21.45
Joseph Messier	94.85
Orville Pratt	3.90
Kenneth Harmon	13.65
James Newton	8.05
George Sherman	2.60
William Hicks	51.80
Arthur E. Brown	5.20
James Howlett	1.95

James Adams, Jr.	49.35
Munroe Tarbell, Jr.	10.50
Robert Marriott	5.60
Dept. Public Works	20.37
Noah Fountain	121.00
Const. Service Corp.	240.80
Valley Garage	25.00
S. C. Hicks	2.10
Brimfield Garage	6.78
James Hoyt	7.20
Lewis E. Howlett	127.98
State Prison Colony	93.00
Byron Russell	3.50
C. W. Robinson	76.18
Clark-Wilcox Co.	12.75
Marcy Lumber Co.	18.48
Faulkner Hardware Co.	28.07
Louis Gagliardi	49.48
B. E. Campbell	13.90
Compensation Insurance	27.60
Town Machinery	407.87

\$2,338.29

Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00
B. E. Campbell (share of exp. at Mill Pond)	197.80
Overdraft	140.49
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	\$2,338.29

EXPENDED FOR MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF TOWN MACHINERY

Harold Hitchcock	\$148.00
George Dockham	8.60
Richard Hicks	6.50

Leslie Dewey	8.00
L. V. Howlett	16.80
Byron Russell	26.60
James Adams, Jr.	2.10
Helen Sullivan	66.64
Mary Piazza	33.36
E. W. Systrom Co.	422.00
Valley Garage	38.55
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	642.27
Brimfield Garage	496.97
Carey's Machine Shop	35.79
Andrew Tardiff	328.49
Harold Hitchcock, expenses	28.72
Faulkner Hardware Co.	3.91
Allied Steel Co.	176.82
Palmer Tire Service	21.50
Western Auto Stores	13.15
Palmer Auto Body	2.50
International Harvester Co.	23.39
E. F. Edson Co.	8.81
H. C. Maddocks	3.04
B. E. Campbell	12.45
Clark-Wilcox Co.	158.53
Wm. D. Spooner	150.88
Jefferson Auto Specialties	12.00
Compensation Insurance	6.77
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	\$2,903.14
Transfer to Fund	225.38
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Appropriation	\$3,128.52

Report of

The Board of Public Welfare

and

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

During the year we have aided five relief cases and one "Aid to Dependent Children". Of the relief cases three are chargeable to other towns for which Brimfield will be reimbursed. There are two cases in other towns chargeable to Brimfield. At the close of the year there are no active resident cases.

There has been a total of 32 cases carried by the Old Age Assistance Bureau the past year and three cases in other towns. At the close of the year we were carrying 24 active cases on the payrolls.

Cash Grants for year	\$13,092.18
Received Federal Grants	\$5,731.91
Received from State	5,288.89
Received from other towns	245.31
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	11,266.11
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Cost to Brimfield	\$1,826.07

JAMES A. G. HOYT
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN
ROGER H. DAVIS

Board of Public Welfare and
Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Report of

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1944:

	Adjusted	Sealed
Platform Scales	5	7
Counter Scales		2
Spring Scales	3	9
Computing Scales		2
Avoirdupois Weights		24
Liquid Measures		10
Oil Jars		9
Gasoline Meters	3	15

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Sealer

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

During 1944 the Department responded to 38 calls. Ten chimney fires, 24 forest fires, the house of George Harrington on the Dunhamtown Road and the barn of Cheney Newton on the Wales Road were completely destroyed and Mr. Newton's house adjoining the barn was considerably damaged. A small house owned by James Hoyt was slightly damaged; also a combination tool house and sleeping quarters owned by Wallace Fountain was practically a total loss.

I again call attention to the emergency telephone number 222. This line is allways open to report fires and accidents. Don't wait, call immediately!

H. B. LANDEN

Fire Chief — Forest Warden

Report of Assessors

Town Appropriations	
raised by taxation	\$57,817.45
Appropriated from available funds	6,585.02
Deficit in overlay of previous years	415.55
Maturing debt	2,000.00
State Parks	41.71
State Tax	2,057.00
State Audit	293.63
County Tax	1,660.88
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	84.73
Overlay of current year	804.02
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Total	\$71,759.99
Available funds and estimated receipts	39,576.24
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$32,183.75
340 Polls @ \$2.00	680.00
Tax assessed on property	31,503.75
Valuation of Personal Property	\$216,100.00
Valuation of Real Estate	800,150.00
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Total valuation	\$1,016,250.00
Tax Rate	\$31.00
Excise Tax on Motor Vehicles	\$1,446.88

Acres of land assessed	19,152
Dwellings assessed	403
Cows assessed	553
Neat cattle assessed	240
Swine assessed	51
Sheep assessed	20
Horses assessed	80
Fowl assessed	12,803

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

ARTHUR B. BROWN

JOHN M. HALEY

Assessors

BUDGET FOR 1945

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	Expended 1944	Recom. for 1945	Fin. Com. Recom.
Selectmen	\$875.13	\$900.00	\$900.00
Accountant	518.49	525.00	525.00
Treasurer	575.71	600.00	600.00
Collector	611.26	600.00	600.00
Assessors	762.95	775.00	775.00
Certifying Notes	6.00	10.00	10.00
Town Clerk	205.78	225.00	225.00
Election & Registration	313.59	150.00	150.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Town Hall	1,194.22	1,100.00	1,100.00
Police	143.70	150.00	150.00
Fire Department	477.28	1,500.00	1,500.00
Forest Fire	639.86	500.00	500.00
Sealer	60.00	60.00	60.00
Moth Suppression	296.80	375.00	375.00
Tree Warden	40.40	50.00	50.00
Civilian Defense & Rationing	115.25	150.00	150.00
Reserve Fund		500.00	500.00
Health	117.09	200.00	200.00

Highways Chapter 81	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,100.00
Highways Chap. 90 Maintenance	1,000.00	800.00	800.00
General Highways	2,338.29	3,000.00	3,000.00
Street Lighting	931.00	935.00	935.00
Charity	2,325.67	1,500.00	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	6,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Old Age Assistance Adm.	160.00	200.00	200.00
Aid to Dep. Children	118.20	250.00	250.00
Schools	30,162.23	32,803.00	33,878.00
Trade School Tuition	249.06	300.00	300.00
Library	600.00	600.00	600.00
Common	141.61	250.00	250.00
Memorial Day	100.00	125.00	125.00
Insurance Town Property	69.95	625.00	625.00
Town Reports	274.14	310.00	310.00
Cemetery	469.67	500.00	500.00
Int. on temporary loans	102.88	125.00	125.00
Int. on maturing debt	500.00	460.00	460.00
Soldiers' Benefits	170.00	800.00	800.00
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	\$55,361.21	\$61,753.00	\$62,828.00

Total raised by taxation in 1944 \$57,817.45

Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met September 18, 1944 and organized with Carl L. Stearns, Chairman and E. Stanley Parker, Clerk. At this meeting it was voted to transfer \$400.00 from the Reserve Fund for Charity. On December 12, the Committee voted to transfer from the Reserve Fund the following sums: For Tax Collector \$12.00; Election and Registration \$4.00 and Town Clerk \$6.00.

The Committee met February 1, 1945 and considered the budget as presented by the town accountant, also the articles in the warrant for the annual meeting calling for an appropriation. The Committee's recommendations of the budget will be found on another page.

E. STANLEY PARKER

Clerk

Report of Moth Suppression Work

Somewhat more area back from the roads was examined this year and a total of 6248 gypsy moth egg masses was destroyed at a cost of \$296.80, as follows:

Percy Moore	\$95.25
P. J. McIntyre	88.90
G. E. Hitchcock	88.90
G. E. Hitchcock, auto	23.75

PERCY N. MOORE,
Moth Sup't.

Librarian's Report

The circulation of books and magazines has been about as usual. We have this year many magazines given by the citizens to be shared, in keeping with the wishes of the Government. Several books have been given.

Old magazines have been given to the waste paper drive of the Academy and for use in the Grade schools.

A gift from Mrs. Harrison Brown of a handsome tortoise shell comb will be placed among the antiques.

Visitors to the Library are always welcome.

A list of books added during the year follows.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNSMORE,

Librarian

FICTION

Allen, Hervey	Bedford Village
Adams, Samuel H.	Canal Town
Bates, H. E.	Fair Stood the Winds of France
Blockinger, Betty	Surgeon in Uniform
Bronte, Emily	Wuthering Heights
Buckmaster, Henriette	Deep River
Cadwell, Taylor	The Final Hour
De La Roche, Mazo	Building of Jalna

Damon, Bertha	A Sense of Humus
Dustin, Agnes B.	Deirwander Farm
Falvin, Martin	Journey in the Dark
Ford, Elizabeth	Ann Ferraby's Daughter
Gregory, Jackson	Aces Wild at Golden Eagle
Hancock, Lucy A.	Community Nurse
Hallet, Richard M.	Foothold on Earth
Halleran, E. E.	Prairie Guns
Herbert, F. Hugh	Meet Corliss Archer
Hueston, Ethel	Mother went mad on Monday
Hichens, Robert	Young Mrs. Brand
Keyes, Francis	Also the Hills
Keyes, Frances	Career of David Noble
Larrimore, Lida	Bugles in Her Heart
Lutz, Grace Livingston	More than Conqueror
Lutz, Grace Livingston	Time of the Singing of Birds
Marquand, John P.	So Little Time
Miller, Ray Jackson	Apache Basin
Miller, Helen Topping	Wild Lilac
Mitchell, Ruth C.	They Shall Come Again
Pratt, Theodore	Thunder Mountain
Pinkham, E. E.	Aunt Elsa
Rinehart, Mary	Alibi for Isabel
Taber, Gladys	Give us This Day
Walker, Dorothy	Dr. Whitney's Secretary
Whipple, Dorothy	They were Sisters
Williams, Ben Ames	Leave Her to Heaven
Wright, Walkins	Home to the Hills
Wright, Harold B.	The Man Who Went Away
Yoder, Joseph W.	Roxanna of the Amish

NON FICTION

Benet, Stephen	America
Davis, Malvin	Industrial Life Insurance
Gould, Mary Earle	Early American Wooden Ware
Hughes, Riley	Our Coast Guard Academy
Huie, William B.	Can Do !
Hunt, Frazier	MacArthur and the War Against Japan
Miller, Francis	Eisenhower, Man and Soldier
Parker, Robert	Headquarters Budapest
Slaughter, Frank G.	Battle Surgeon
Williamson, Thomas	Far North Country
Train, Arthur	Autobiography of Ephraim Tutt

JUVENILE

Bird, Dorothy	May Granite Harbor
Dubois, Gaylord	Pony Express
Lansing, Elizabeth	Nancy Naylor Flies South
Lathrop, West	Monkey Ahoy
MacIntyre, Elizabeth	Susan Who Lives in Australia
O'Malley, Patricia	Airline Girl
Pease, Howard	Thunderbolt House
Philbrook, Elizabeth	Far from Marlborough Street
Rush, William	Rocky Mountain Ranger
Rienbeck, Margaret	Time for Each Other
Urustou, Mary	Plain Clothes Patricia
Ward, Marion B.	Boat Children of Canton
Youman	Mount Delightful

1944 Report
of the
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO
AGRICULTURE AND THE
HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
LEAGUE
TOWN of BRIMFIELD

Agricultural Work:

During the year the service of the County Agricultural Agent has returned to more regular extension work. However, war time developments are still important in shaping the agricultural program. This past year saw an increase in subject matter meetings for the county farmers.

All farmers have been kept informed by circular letters and published articles regarding special crop and livestock developments and recommended practices, spray bulletins, pest control calendars, tips on poultry range management, beekeeping and so forth. Assistance to individuals in connection with their agricultural production and marketing problems has been given when requested.

Home Bureau Work:

During the year 114 women attended 11 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 11 local leaders assisted

by the County and State Agents. There were 7 different projects, undertaken during the year, a few of which included Food Preservation, Slip Covers, Clothes Clinic, and Christmas Greens. The following local leader incurred expenses amounting to \$11.28: Mrs. Louisa Phipps.

4-H Club Work:

There were 42 young people enrolled in 8 different 4-H Club projects under the direction of 5 local leaders and the County Agents. Outstanding awards for excellence in their projects were given to several members.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1944 Appropriation	\$50.00
Balance carried over from 1943	37.93
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	\$87.93
Expended in 1944	11.28
Balance available for 1945	76.65
Amount recommended for 1945	None

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 1944

Member	Term expires
HENRY LACH, Chairman	1946
CLARK W. HAYWARD, Secretary	1947
PAULINE D. HATCH	1945

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Harold M. Ladd

Office Hours:

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 a. m. to 12:00 m.—1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

when school is in session

At high school or elementary school by appointment

Telephone, Monson 67 (office) or Brimfield 344 (res.)

SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

Helynn S. Haley

Office Telephone—Monson 67

Office Hours:

8:30 a. m. to 12:00 m.—1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

when school is in session

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN	Irving P. Sherman, M. D.
SCHOOL NURSE	Luella I. Young, R. N.
SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE	Edward Sheeran

HOURS OF SCHOOL SESSIONS

High School:

8:45 a. m. to 12:04 p. m.—12:45 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.

Elementary School:

8:45 a. m. to 12:00 m.—12:55 p. m. to 2:55 p. m.

SCHOOL SIGNAL

Mrs. Pauline D. Hatch will have charge of notifying the townspeople when there will be no session of school.

ENTERING AGE OF CHILDREN

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Brimfield — Wales

1945

Tuesday	January	2	Schools reopen
Friday	February	16	Schools close for Winter vacation
Monday	February	26	Schools reopen
Friday	March	30	Good Friday, schools close
Friday	April	13	Schools close for Spring vacation
Monday	April	23	Schools reopen
Wednesday	May	30	Memorial Day, schools close
Friday	June	8	Elementary schools close for Summer vacation
Friday	June	15	High school closes for Summer vacation
Tuesday	September	4	Teachers' Meeting — Union #8, 12:30 p. m. town Hall, Monson
Wednesday	September	5	Schools open
Friday	October	12	Columbus Day, schools close
Wednesday	November	21	Schools close at 12:30 for Thanksgiving recess
Monday	November	26	Schools reopen
Friday	December	21	Schools close for Christmas vacation

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Brimfield:

Herewith I submit my third annual report as your superintendent of schools. This report includes the reports of supervisors and statistical tables that relate to the operation of our schools.

Staff

Brimfield has experienced an increase in the school population in the lower grades that made it advisable to move grades seven and eight into the high school building. This necessitated the employment of two additional teachers and the following appointments were made: Mary H. Gaudette, grade seven; Susanne Caswell, grade eight. Kathleen O'Donnell resigned as principal of the elementary school and Ruth L. Fiske was appointed to assume these duties. Harriet L. Lombard has resumed her duties as teacher in grade one. There is a complete listing of all teachers showing their qualifications and experience in Appendix D.

Plant

Several changes have been planned at the high school building to meet the requirements of the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety. The expense of

these additions is being met by the town of Brimfield and the Board of Trustees of Hitchcock Free Academy. Under the terms of the existing contract between the town and the trustees, the town is responsible for alterations inside the building and these include the construction of a fire wall in both basements and the installation of self-closing doors. The stairways are finished with metal lath and plaster. Some existing exits had to be fitted with emergency hardware and the stairways to the assembly hall provided with automatic emergency lighting equipment. A new fire door was installed leading to the boiler room and fire extinguishers added to all three floors. The specifications also call for additional fire escapes and the building of special emergency exits. These last two items are being paid for by the Board of Trustees.

The heating equipment at the high school was condemned by the boiler inspector at the end of the last school year. A new H. B. Smith steam boiler has been installed to replace the two boilers that were beyond repair and this new equipment has a rated capacity that is ample to meet all present and future demands.

The assembly hall was painted during the summer vacation and it is planned to refinish other classrooms as soon as possible. A new roof has been completed at the elementary school and existing plans call for grading the playground.

War Effort

We are habitually a wasteful nation. The war has taught us how to conserve our resources and find use for many materials that have never been considered valuable. Pupils have collected waste paper, used fats, tin, milkweed floss and purchased war stamps regularly.

These are activities that cultivate thrift and establish new standards of citizenship.

It is our duty, on the home front, to lend a helping hand and do all in our power to aid our armed forces.

Stamp Sales—September, 1943—June, 1944

High School	\$1220.65
Elementary school	1680.15
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Total	\$2900.80

Curriculum

The program of studies have been adjusted to meet the needs as they arose. A study of the school population will reveal that there are few boys in school above grade nine. This has revived a demand for languages because girls seem to be reluctant to elect science. Latin and French have been added to the program to meet this demand.

The teaching conditions at the elementary school have been improved materially because two double-grade rooms have been eliminated. This situation has not been entirely corrected because there must be at least one room with two grades when it is necessary to house six grades in a five-room building. The ideal situation would provide a teacher for each grade.

The immediate future promises to be one of the greatest eras in our history. One cannot predict what changes will occur in the next half-century but one thing seems certain and that is: What we teach in our schools and how it is taught depends upon events in current history. The culture and political organization of many

lands that have always been considered to be so far away that they could not possibly influence our lives are now common knowledge to youngsters who passed through our schools a year or two ago. They know these lands and their customs intimately because they have lived and fought there. They will return and converse fluently about people and places that have hitherto existed only in textbooks. Geography will become a living subject teeming with interest. Facts already known about the airplane may change our whole concept of certain phases of science. Functional mathematics places stress upon new fields of interest and what happens at the peace conference may revamp all of our ideas about political economy.

There are two schools of thought concerning compulsory military training. At the moment it seems inevitable but when it comes, let us hope that the program will be under the joint direction of educators and military authority. There is a definite danger that we may be laying the foundations for World War III without proper organization. We wage war and make peace but perhaps it would be well for us to wage peace with the same zeal and application as we wage war.

New Horizons

We are living in an age of functional education. The demands upon our schools are not different from what they were a year ago. We are still furnishing the manpower for all branches of the service and are expected to turn out mentally alert, physically fit and morally responsible individuals. We sincerely hope that the day is not far distant when we will be called upon to convert to serving the needs of a peace-time economy but we must be ready to meet this challenge.

Future citizens must be able to think independently and weigh values according to new standards. A new social order will come out of the present conflict and our schools will set the pattern for this new culture. Our educational responsibilities may require that we establish school systems in foreign lands to counteract those fanatical ideas of government that resulted in war. The degree to which any peace can be permanent will depend directly upon educational opportunities afforded the youth of all countries.

Through social studies we can train the present generation in the fundamentals of good citizenship. They must assume leadership in social and economic affairs in a shrinking world. The returning veteran will look to the school for assistance in getting adjusted to a peace economy. The Massachusetts Department of Education has recently established a special office dealing with guidance and appointed a full-time director. More consideration will be given the abilities and aptitudes of pupils in school in an effort to encourage them in those activities which are best suited to them.

Schools will be evaluated on a basis of how well they serve their respective communities and curriculum changes will be adopted to accomplish these ends. Character education is not taught from textbooks, but it is experienced in every classroom every day. The school shares this responsibility with the home because one cannot succeed without the other. We must renew our efforts to give all possible training to our children and parents must insist that their children remain in school. The future of society depends upon an educated populace.

Finances

“What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must be what the community wants for all its children”—John Dewey.

The cost of maintaining our schools is governed by economic trends. Services and supplies are subject to the laws of supply and demand. When a school population grows, it means that more teachers are needed and more materials must be purchased.

We have experienced three major outlays during the past year but one of them promises to result in economy. It will not be necessary to increase the budget this year to provide for similar items. We have more school property to maintain and teachers should receive salaries which will enable them to occupy a respectable position in the community. Defense plants are still competing with all forms of human endeavor and it is impossible for municipal departments to compete with them on a salary basis.

Conclusion

I want to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, Town Officials, teachers and parents for their continued cooperation in providing the best possible school facilities for our children. The days ahead will call for more application of our united efforts to bring about the realization of the five Freedoms. The fifth Freedom? The Freedom of Education!

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

December 15, 1944

Superintendent of Schools

Appendix A

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I submit my third annual report as principal of
Brimfield High School.

School opened September 6, 1944, with an enrollment
of 101 pupils which makes about full use of our facilities.

The Massachusetts Department of Education, in co-
operation with the First Service Command, has ap-
pointed state-wide committees to make plans for equip-
ping in-school youth with pre-induction and war produc-
tion skills. This committee has gathered certain facts
to help the schools determine a course of procedure to
follow:

1. The Army is on a replacement basis. One hun-
dred and sixty thousand boys reach 18 monthly, of these
sixty thousand are physically fit for service. These are
the boys who will meet future Selective Service calls.

2. Every physically fit boy now 16 or 17 years of
age must be prepared to enter military service.

3. Ninety-one percent of the jobs they will be called on to do require mechanical "know-how."

4. Men will be inducted into the Army until final victory is won the world over.

Brimfield High School is making the meeting of these needs its first consideration. Every subject we teach contributes in some manner toward these ends. We intend that every boy will be in good physical condition; that he will have command of fundamentals in English, Mathematics, and Science; that he will be mentally ready for induction by having an understanding of what we are fighting for.

The pupils are carrying on their good work in help on farms, paper salvage, and stamp and bond purchases.

The motion picture projector purchased by the Student Council is proving of great value. We are able to use the Army training films which are excellent. There are also films available which correlate with all subjects:

Latin and French have been returned to the curriculum so that these subjects have been available to every pupil.

I wish to thank you and the Brimfield School Committee for your continued cooperation in every way.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. BRUCE

December 15, 1944

Principal

Appendix B

School Health Work**REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE — 1944**

The schools were visited each month of the year by the school nurse. The yearly physical examinations were made by Dr. Irving Sherman and parents consulted about corrective work needed by pupils. Vision and hearing tests were made with the use of a lighted chart, loaned by the local Red Cross Chapter. No special health clinics were held this year but it is hoped that a diphtheria immunization clinic can be arranged in 1945 and that all children from age six months to ten years will participate. The last immunization clinic was held in 1940 and children who have been immunized at previous clinics will not need to attend the next one.

Growth records were kept by periodic weighing and measuring. Nearly all children showed a satisfactory gain.

All children should have regular dental care as a health measure. Children should not attend school when coughing and sneezing but remain home where they can be treated early and shorten the duration of colds.

Respectfully submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.

December 31, 1944

School Nurse

Appendix C

Report of the MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

The aim of music in the Brimfield schools is to teach children to love and appreciate good music.

In the primary grades, many songs of various kinds have been taught, and monotones have been treated.

In the elementary grades, note reading has been stressed and rythms have been studied. Appropriate songs have been taught for each holiday.

The orchestra and band have played for various programs during the year. Some new members have entered both the band and the orchestra this year.

Several boys and girls are taking instrumental lessons of various kinds.

The glee club gave a performance of the operetta, "HMS Pinafore" by Gilbert and Sullivan.

At this time I wish to express my sincere appreciation to you, Mr. Ladd, and to the teachers for your splendid cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

DORIS L. PHILLIPS

December 15, 1944

Supervisor of Music

Appendix D

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1944

Position	Name	Training	Institution Attended	Years service in Brimfield	Total years of Service	Salary
Administrative Staff						
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd	B.S. University of Ed.M. New Hampshire		3	24	875 (1)
Secretary to the Superintendent	Helynn S. Haley	*	Bay Path Institute	8	9	350 (1)
HIGH SCHOOL						
Commercial	Evelyn B. Landen	*	Bay Path Institute	2	22	1540
English	Eugenia P. Tarbell	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	10	13	1650
Math., Science	Freda B. Stegner	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	13	21	1650
Sci., Soc. Studies	Robert E. Bruce, Prin.	B.S.	University of N. H.	3	16	2420
Music	Doris L. Phillips	Mus.B.	Boston University	3	5	425 (1)
Household Arts †	Morine P. Cheney	B.S.	University of Tenn.	2	9	625
Manual Training †	John Rainka	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	6	9	684
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			2		1650

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grade I	Harriet L. Lombard	—	Extension courses	37	37	1320
Grade II	Gladys L. Webber	*	Westfield Normal	5	30	1320
Grades III - IV	Mary T. Paier	B.S. in Ed.	Westfield Normal	2	2	1385
Grade V	Ruth L. Fiske, Prin.	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	1	2	1375
Grade VI	Tena Sironaitis	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	2	2	1285
Grade VII	Mary Gaudette	—	—	1	26	1200
Grade VIII	Susanne F. Caswell	A.B.	Emmanuel College	1	7	1200

(1) Part paid by Brimfield

* Diploma

† Part-time

Appendix E

Table I

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1944

As of October 1

		5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
TOTAL IN TOWN	Boys	24	88	
	Girls	17	73	
	TOTAL	41	161	
In public school		24	154	
In continuation school				
In vocational school			1	
In private school			7	
In state and county schools and special classes for de- fectives and delinquents				
Not enrolled in any school		17		
	TOTAL	41	162	

Appendix E

Table II

GRADE — AGE TABLE

(As of October 1944)

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
GRADE																	
I	3	17	5	3													28
II		5	10	2													17
III			1	18	5	2											26
IV				1	7	3											11
V					1	10	1	3	1								16
VI						1	10	2	4								17
VII							6	8	5	1							20
VIII								5	6	3	3						17
IX									12	8	8	3					31
X										6	8	2	1				17
XI											3	5	1				9
XII												5	3				8
Total	3	22	16	24	13	16	17	18	28	18	22	15	5				217

Appendix E

Table III

ATTENDANCE DATA

Year ending June 30, 1944

	Elem.	Sr. High	Total
Average membership	158	58	216
Non-resident pupils paying tuition in Brimfield	22	5	27
Net average membership	136	53	189
Average daily attendance	144	54	198
Schools in session, total days	172	177	—

Appendix F

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS

1944

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$1,007.65	
Helynn S. Haley	343.86	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	102.15	
Makepeace Press	4.65	
John Manter	25.00	
Bradway's Newsroom	2.95	
Wright & Potter Co.	2.04	
Robert E. Bruce	4.90	
Pauline D. Hatch	75.00	
Henry Lach	75.00	
Clark Hayward	75.00	
		\$1718.20

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Robert E. Bruce	\$2,420.00
Evelyn B. Landen	1,540.00
Doris L. Phillips	410.00
Freda Stegner	1,650.00
Eugenia Tarbell	1,650.00
Morine Cheney	561.00
John Rainka	612.00
Ruth L. Fiske	1,090.00
Harriet Lombard	528.00
Mary T. Paier	1,280.00
Tena Sironaitis	1,240.00
Gladys Webber	1,380.00

Susanne F. Caswell	480.00
Mary H. Gaudette	495.00
Mrs. D. C. Beers	10.00
Mrs. D. W. Harrington	5.00
Kathleen O'Donnell	900.00
Florence Donovan	130.00
Mrs. Hazel Orcutt	54.00
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	\$16,435.00

TEXTBOOKS

American Book Co.	\$ 87.52
D. C. Heath Co.	25.70
Monson Chap., Red Cross	5.50
Beckley-Cardy Co.	34.98
L. W. Singer Co.	6.98
Arlo Pub. Co	6.76
World Bk. Co.	53.35
Macmillan Co.	35.63
Iroquois Pub. Co.	16.51
Ginn & Co.	74.12
Lyons & Carnahan, Inc.	8.46
Houghton Mifflin Co.	68.90
Laidlaw Bros.	23.27
John C. Winston Pub. Co.	24.67
Scott, Foresman & Co.	128.89
Webster Pub. Co.	.97
J. L. Hammett Co.	35.50
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	\$637.71

SUPPLIES

Scott, Foresman & Co.	\$ 2.52
S. K. Nelson	16.00
Brodhead-Garrett Co.	71.60

Morine P. Cheney	21.31	
Visual Education Service	7.68	
Cutler Co.	2.80	
Carl Fischer, Inc.	9.58	
J. L. Hammett Co.	22.14	
Cambosco Sci. Co.	91.42	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	146.75	
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WAGES OF JANITOR

Edward J. Sheeran	\$1,650.00	
		\$1,650.00

FUEL

Checkerboard Feed Store	\$474.71	
Hitchcock Oil Service	418.19	
N. D. Fountain	31.00	
Palmer Coal Co.	82.64	
S. K. Nelson	16.00	
Harlow E. Jones	40.56	
	<hr/>	\$1,063.10

MISCELLANEOUS (operating)

J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	\$492.62	
Worc. County Electric Co.	277.73	
G. C. Winters	6.00	
H. C. Maddocks	46.63	
Squier & Co.	2.85	
C. W. Robinson	1.95	
Faulkner Hardware	9.59	

Frank Bros. Paper Co.	46.78
L. V. Howlett	5.00

\$889.15

REPAIRS

Gilbert Barker Mfg. Co.	7.93
E. W. Fisher	30.12
Marcy Lumber Co.	6.10
Faulkner Hardware Co.	4.44
Town of Brimfield	94.00
Insurance	3.92
Harold Hitchcock	86.00
Richard Hicks	48.75
George Dockham	50.05
Joseph Messier	29.25
E. J. Collette	5.20
Wm. Jurczyk	95.50
Lane Const. Co.	269.51
Forbes & Wallace Co.	10.00
James A. Hoyt	4.70
G. C. Winters	35.09

\$780.56

LIBRARIES

Science Digest, Inc.	\$ 2.50
Amer. Red Cross, Inc.	17.60
Scott, Foresman & Co.	5.66
Young America	5.50
Clarence Hawkes	1.03
Beckley-Cardy Co.	.80

33.09

HEALTH

Hampden County T. Ass'n.	\$200.00	
Dr. Irving P. Sherman	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$275.00

TRANSPORTATION

Arthur Brown	\$2,355.40	
George Freeman	2,459.00	
William Spooner	1,357.50	
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MISCELLANEOUS (auxiliary)

Makepeace Press	\$ 3.25	
Guildersleeve Trucking Co.	1.81	
A. W. Gifford Co.	2.40	
Edward Sheeran	29.50	
Forbes & Wallace Co.	10.00	
N. Bond Fleming	10.00	
Com. Public Safety	10.00	
Mary Addante	4.45	
L. Victor Howlett	2.00	
Southbridge Roofing Co.	6.00	
Town of Brimfield	37.31	
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SUMMARY

	Expendi- tures 1944	Estimate 1945
General Expenses	\$ 1,718.20	\$1,670.00
Expenses of instruction		
Teachers' salaries	16,435.00	19,584.00
Textbooks	637.71	400.00
Supplies	391.80	400.00
Expenses of operating		
Janitor's wages	1,650.00	1,750.00
Fuel	1,063.10	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	889.15	365.00
Maintenance (repairs)	780.56	600.00
Auxiliary agencies		
Libraries	33.09	25.00
Health	275.00	300.00
Transportation	6,171.90	6,334.00
Miscellaneous	116.72	75.00
New equipment	0.00	100.00
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	\$30,162.23	\$32,803.00
Total appropriation, 1944	\$30,173.00	
Total expenditures, 1944	30,162.23	
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Unexpended Balance, 1944		\$ 10.77

Appendix G

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS

Total appropriation, 1944	\$ 30,173.00	
Unexpended balance, 1944	10.77	
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Expended appropriation, 1944		\$30,162.23

Receipts:

From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part I	\$2,077.50	
General School Fund, Part II	3,428.43	
High School Grant	1,000.00	
On account of superintendent and travel	483.33	
Tuition and transportation of State wards	3,861.24	
Tuition of non-resident pupils	1,480.00	
Income that must be expended for support of schools	2,000.00	
Sale of junk	35.00	
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Total receipts		\$14,365.50
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NET COST OF SCHOOLS TO TOWN		\$15,796.73

Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss.

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the fifth day of March, 1945 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare; one School Committee, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years; one Library Trustee for two years, to fill a vacancy.

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 5. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement, and purchase of town machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To elect one trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civilian Defense and Rationing, or take any action thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$140.49 to make up the overdraft in the General Highway account of 1944.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair, maintain and construct sidewalks in the town of Brimfield, or take any action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money to cover the expenses to be incurred by the town in taking of the 1945 state census required by law.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to print the valuation list, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the expense, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a set of law books for the Town Officers, or take any action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, to be held not later than May 1, 1945, the Old Center Grammar School House together with the parcel of land on which it now stands.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this first day of February, 1945.

JAMES H. BLAIR

EDWIN F. FENTON

CHENEY F. NEWTON

Selectmen of Brimfield

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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Brimfield



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1946

Town Officers — 1945

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

HERBERT A. FOGG

Selectmen

EDWIN F. FENTON CHENEY F. NEWTON
JAMES H. BLAIR (Deceased)

Assessors

ARTHUR B. BROWN*	Term expires 1946
JOHN M. HALEY	Term expires 1947
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1948
JOHN P. MOORE**	Term expires 1946

*Resigned **Appointed

Board of Public Welfare

ROGER H. DAVIS	Term expires 1946
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1947
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1948

School Committee

HENRY LACH	Term expires 1946
CLARK W. HAYWARD	Term expires 1947
BEATRICE J. MacCONNELL	Term expires 1948

Cemetery Commission

CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1946
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1947
JAMES E. McINTYRE	Term expires 1948

Library Trustees

ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1946
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1946
EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1947
BARBARA L. WHEELER	Term expires 1947
IRVING P. SHERMAN	Term expires 1948
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1948

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE	HARRY B. LANDEN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	HENRY LACH
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1946
ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1947
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1948

Jury List

ALBERT H. SMITH	SIMON H. BALDINA
ERNEST J. COLLETTE	ALBERT R. HASTINGS
ORLO P. PARKER*	STANLEY C. HICKS
DAVID W. CHENEY	HOWARD P. GERBRACHT
ROBERT J. MacCONNELL	

*Drawn

Appointive Town Officers 1945

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK

Chief of Fire Department and Forest Fire Warden

HARRY B. LANDEN

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE N. FREEMAN

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. IRVING P. SHERMAN

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Fence Viewers

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
 NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

Field Drivers

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE CHESTER H. NORTON
 RAYMOND D. CLARKE

Dog Officer

CHESTER H. NORTON

Town Counsel

ERNEST E. HOBSON

Finance Committee

THOMAS L. MAGRATH	Term expires 1946
FRED N. LAWRENCE	Term expires 1946
SAMUEL ORMSBEE	Term expires 1946
CARL L. STEARNS	Term expires 1947
E. STANLEY PARKER	Term expires 1947
THOMAS W. HALEY	Term expires 1947
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1948
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1948
HERMAN HAVEN	Term expires 1948

Town Clerk's Report

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

65	Resident Fishing
40	Resident Women's and Minor's Fishing
2	Non-Resident Fishing
2	Special Non-Resident Fishing
30	Resident Hunting
25	Resident Sporting
11	Resident Sporting (Free)
7	Resident Military Sporting (Free)
3	Resident Trapping
1	Duplicate License

DOGS LICENSED — 1945

3	Military (Free)		
105	Male	@ \$2.00	\$210.00
32	Female	@ 5.00	160.00
33	Spayed Female	@ 2.00	66.00
1	Kennel		25.00
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			\$461.00
Less Clerk's fees, 171 @ 20c			34.20
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Balance paid Treasurer			\$426.80

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
January		
14	Donald Richard LaPlante	Ernest J. and Doris H. (Schneider)
17	David Harold Puduski	Stanley W. and Loretta C. (Lyons)
23	Sandra Fay Cutler	Robert J. and Lillian M. (Theberge)
February		
11	Norma Jane Gilman	Arthur R. and Eleanor M. (Guild)
13	Robert Horace Fountain	Noah and Julia (Labare)
20	Dorothy Agnes Brown	Arthur E. and Mary L. (Howard)
March		
3	Penny Fay Gilman	Harry D. and Fay (Williams)
April		
2	Brian Douglas Smith	Francis B. and Ruby E. (Frink)
June		
7	Marie Vivian Demers	Ernest and Juliette (Morin)
25	Rosalie Mary Gendreau	Albert H. and Florence H. (Benson)
27	Sandra Corinne Zawalski	Walter J. and Corinne A. (Norton)
28	Arlene Rachel St. Pierre	Alphonse J. and Annette (Fournier)
August		
29	Kathryn Anna Howlett	James V. and Mary M. (O'Keefe)
September		
12	Susan Alden Turner	Byron C. and Bernice (White)
21	Cheryl Diane Barr	Wayne T. and Laurretta B. (Gilman)
October		
4	Bonita Jean Racicot	Joseph C. and Dora M. (Cournoyer)
22	Max Winton Edwards, Jr.	Max W. and Joyce L. (Norton)
December		
5	Clifford Robert Marriott	Robert F. and Romaine I. (Chapman)
8	Ruth Marie Tibbetts	Hubert W. and Marie (Gagliardi)
10	Hamer Davenport Clarke	Raymond D. and Alice V. (Hamer)

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
8	Samuel Forest	Southbridge	Octavie Brodeur	Brimfield
February				
10	Robert F. Marriott	Brimfield	Romaine I. Chapman	Brimfield
May				
6	Walter J. Kusek	Palmer	Josephine Siok	Brimfield
June				
30	Louis J. Brainerd	Palmer	Priscilla N. Beers	Brimfield
July				
9	William F. Roberts		Ruth Theberge	Brimfield
		Brimfield		
14	Paul Siok	Palmer	Caroline E. White	Brimfield
August				
14	Adam Rassis	Brimfield	M. Lillian E. Cody	Southbridge
September				
15	Robert E. Dean	Brimfield	Joy F. Thomas	Brimfield
November				
3	George F. Carpenter, Jr.		Jane Wojdyla	Chicopee
		Brimfield		
14	David B. Brown	Brimfield	Barbara M. Marcoullier	
				Westfield
December				
8	Philip L. Martin	Brimfield	Doris E. Donaldson	Ware
22	Louis E. Martin	Monson	Doris E. Heck	Monson
August				
14	Donald W. Smith	Brimfield	Gloria Norris	New Iberia, La.
September				
16	Enoch Gregg Wright		Elaine Louise Phillips	
	San Francisco, Cal.			Brimfield

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
13	Jane MacAskill Wesson	70	7	28
April				
20	John Drake	74	7	28
27	George Henry Adams	75	0	5
28	Asa Parke Chappell	77	6	21
28	Charles Hillary Moore	77	7	7
May				
12	Garrett Charles Brinsley	—	4	29
27	Charles Lincoln Peirce	64	1	16
June				
17	Beatrice Berard Lavigne	40	2	18
July				
14	Florence Letendre	50	9	2
October				
19	Sarah Elizabeth (Thompson) Clark	89	—	9
27	Dianne Jean Loux	—	—	2
31	James Hay McKean Blair	70	3	21
November				
19	Laura Etta (Thayer) Wells	61	10	3
December				
28	Jesse Myron Belcher	80	9	4

BURIALS FROM OTHER PLACES

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
10	Major Edwin V. Lawrence of Spfld.	68	5	4
February				
23	Charles P. Griggs of Boston	61	10	—
March				
27	Clara E. Kenfield of Sturbridge	69	10	10
April				
7	Lloyd H. Bradway of Union, Conn.	40	6	15
25	Frank B. Wilcox of Framingham	64	11	13
August				
3	Mabel A. Wilcox of Framingham	61	—	
October				
4	Jeremiah McGrath of Springfield	62	6	22
November				
2	Mary W. Gould of Springfield	70	—	
December				
2	Myrtie Booth of Palmer	62	1	2

Attention is called to the War Veterans Register, in which all honorable discharges should be recorded. This service is free. Please get in touch with the Town Clerk.

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1945	\$11,067.29	
Receipts during year	112,562.46	
	<hr/>	\$123,629.75
Paid on treasury warrants	\$112,693.28	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1945	10,936.47	
	<hr/>	\$123,629.75

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Treasurer

I have verified the treasurer's cash balance by actual count of her cash on hand.

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Jan. 1, 1946

Town Accountant

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue — Taxes

Current Year	\$27,870.41
Previous Years	4,722.27
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,127.60
Income Tax	5,837.50
Corporation Tax	2,177.64
Reimb. Loss of Taxes (State)	476.68
Meals Tax	369.91
Classified Forest Land Tax 1945	471.20
" " " " 1944	109.15
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	\$43,162.36

Grants and Gifts from State

Mass. School Fund	\$2,695.15
Union Superintendent	479.89
Vocational Education	147.00
High School Grant	1,000.00
Highway Fund	3,968.12
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	8,290.16
From County, Dog Fund	395.49
Sealer's Fees	13.67
Licenses:	
Liquor	550.00
Other	30.00

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	4,614.77
Rent of Town Hall	155.00

Highways

From State	\$6,786.52	
From County	975.56	
From Town of Warren	9.00	
From State a/c Snow Removal	854.70	
		8,625.78
Town Machinery		3,803.45

Charities

From State, Temporary Relief	\$ 54.98	
From Springfield, Temporary Relief	531.64	
Old Age Assistance from State	4,639.03	
Aid Dep. Children from State	92.20	
Soldiers' Relief from State	50.00	
Old Age Asst. from Other Towns	54.60	
		5,422.45

Schools

Tuition, Town of Wales	\$960.00	
Tuition of State Wards	4,728.91	
Sale of Material	31.41	
H. F. A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00	
		\$7,720.32

Miscellaneous

Court Fines	\$126.45
Library Fines	9.90

Sale of Cemetery Lots	40.00	
Reimb. for digging graves	128.00	
Reimb. for foundations	71.60	
Demands on Poll Taxes	7.70	
Compensation Insurance Fund	240.20	
Premium adj. & Dividend	80.95	
Sale of Flower Pots, Cemetery	2.00	
Sale, Tax Possession	11.08	
	<hr/>	717.88

Interest

On Taxes	\$132.31	
Perpetual Care Funds	480.50	
Library Trust Funds	211.35	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	160.00	
	<hr/>	984.66

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in anticipation of Revenue	\$15,000.00	
In anticipation of Reimbursement	9,475.00	
	<hr/>	24,475.00

Agency and Trust

Dog Licenses for County	\$ 426.80	
Victory & War Tax withheld	3,085.90	
	<hr/>	3,512.70
Refunds		88.77
Cash on hand beginning of year		11,067.29
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		\$123,629.75

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries	\$616.60
Clerk	100.00
Moderator	5.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	29.85
Association dues	9.00
Dog Officer	50.20
Honor Roll names	14.42
Filing Cabinet	14.50
Other	12.45
	<hr/> \$852.02
Balance	47.98
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Appropriation	\$900.00

Town Accountant

Salary	\$480.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	31.25
Other	2.77
	<hr/> \$514.02
Balance	10.98
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Appropriation	\$525.00

Treasurer

Salary	\$400.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	40.27
Surety Bond	27.00
Insurance	35.00

Deposit Box rent	4.80
Telephone	1.25
Association dues	2.00
Travel expense	24.25

 \$534.57

Balance	65.43
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Appropriation	\$600.00
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Tax Collector

Salary	\$400.00
Surety Bond	36.00
Deputy's bond	5.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	110.78
Telephone	8.68
Travel & Expense	21.70
Fees & Expense tax sale	6.25

 \$597.41

Balance	2.59
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 \$600.00

Assessors

Salaries	507.67
Printing, Postage, etc.	29.26
Travel Expense	54.00
Clerical Assistance	76.41
Association dues	6.00
Other	8.25

 \$681.59

Balance	93.41
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Appropriation	\$775.00
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Town Clerk

Salary	\$100.00
Recording Fees	28.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	69.10
Surety Bond	7.50
Other	10.72
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	\$215.32
Balance	9.68
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Appropriation	\$225.00

Election and Registration

Election Officers	\$29.90
Printing	33.00
Other	3.80
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	\$66.70
Balance	83.30
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Appropriation	\$150.00

Certifying Notes

Certification	\$6.00
Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$10.00

Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	\$100.00

Law Books

Purchased Law Books		\$103.40
Appropriation	\$103.00	
Trans. Res. Fund	.40	
	<hr/>	\$103.40

Town Hall

Salary, Janitor		\$432.00
Fuel		220.00
Light		51.12
Janitor's Supplies		9.50
Repairs		170.43
Chairs		189.00
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		\$1,072.05
Balance		27.95
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Appropriation		\$1,100.00

Town Hall Repairs

Balance from 1944		\$851.90
Expended	\$841.35	
Balance	10.55	
	<hr/>	\$851.90

Total, General Government	<hr/>	\$5,552.91
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police

Constables' Services		\$158.50
Flasher current		17.58
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		\$176.08
Balance		23.92
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		\$200.00
Appropriation	\$150.00	
Trans. Res. Fund	50.00	
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		\$200.00

Fire Department

Salary, Chief	\$50.00
Oil permits	89.00
Insurance	25.84
Storage	165.00
Telephone	31.20
Gas & Oil	7.74
Repairs	1,098.29
Association dues	3.00
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	\$1,469.07
Balance	30.93
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Appropriation	\$1,500.00

Forest Fire

Forest Fire Payrolls	\$216.10
Storage and Gasoline	200.70

Fire Permits	23.40
Equipment	15.24
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	\$455.44
Balance	44.56
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	\$500.00

Gypsy Moth Suppression

Labor	\$159.60
Transportation	14.00
Equipment	3.68
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	\$177.28
Balance	197.72
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Appropriation	\$375.00

Tree Warden

Salary and Wages	\$32.50
Balance	17.50
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Appropriation	\$50.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	\$50.00
Transportation	6.00
Postage and Repairs	2.45
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	\$58.45
Balance	1.55
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Appropriation	\$60.00

Rationing

Telephone	\$10.75
P. O. Box Rent	.45

 \$11.20

Balance	138.80
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 \$150.00

Total, Protection of Persons & Property	\$2,380.02
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Health

County Hospital Assessment	\$49.91
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Slaughtering Inspection	47.00
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Cattle Inspection	9.00
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Labor at Reservoir	19.45
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Association Dues	5.00
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 \$130.36

Balance	69.64
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 \$200.00
HIGHWAYS**Chapter 81**

Labor	\$3,830.90
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Town Machinery	1,859.19
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Hired Machinery	1,020.00
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Tools and Materials	2,918.13
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Compensation Insurance	146.67
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 \$9,974.89

Balance	.11
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 \$9,975.00

State Allotment	\$7,875.00
Town Appropriation	2,100.00
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	\$9,975.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$873.15
Town Machinery	317.45
Hired Equipment	46.25
Materials	1,130.45
Compensation Insurance	32.69

\$2,399.99

Balance .01

\$2,400.00

State Allotment	\$800.00
County Allotment	800.00
Town Appropriation	800.00

\$2,400.00

General Highways

Snow Removal

Labor	\$1,562.60
Machinery	1,395.20
Comp. Insurance	22.17

\$2,979.97

Bridges

Labor	\$305.19
Lumber	335.26

Machinery & Supplies	111.94	
Comp. Insurance	14.55	
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		\$766.94
Balance		3.09
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		\$3,750.00
Town Appropriation	\$3,500.00	
Trans. from Res. Fund	250.00	
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		\$3,750.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Expended	498.13	
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Balance	\$1.87	

Street Lighting

Worcester County Elec. Co.	\$931.00	
Balance	4.00	
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Appropriation	\$935.00	

Machinery Account

Labor	\$359.95
Storage, Repairs, etc.	2,442.57
Gas & Oil	731.19
Rent	100.00
Insurance	146.88
Express & Telephone	15.54

Compensation Insurance	3.47	
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	\$3,799.60	
Transferred to Fund	\$45.40	
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Appropriation	\$3,845.00	
Total, Highways		\$21,350.52

Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board	\$150.00	
Transportation	6.00	
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		\$156.00
Cash Relief Granted	\$203.85	
Medical Care	51.00	
Relief by other Towns	279.74	
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		534.59
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		\$690.59
Balance		809.41
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Appropriation		\$1,500.00

Old Age Assistance

Funds available from 1944	\$1,290.75
Federal Grants 1945	4,463.48
Town Appropriation	7,500.00
Refund	84.69
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	\$13,338.92
Cash Grants	10,041.56
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Balance in Federal Funds	\$3,297.36

Old Age Assistance, Administrative

Balance available from 1944	\$53.08	
Federal Grants 1945	151.29	
Town Appropriation	200.00	
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		\$404.37
Salaries & Services	\$283.00	
Other expense	39.74	
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		322.74
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Balance in Federal Funds		\$81.63

Soldiers' Benefits

Cash Grants and Other	\$236.53
Balance	563.47
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Appropriation	\$800.00

Schools

General Administration	\$ 1,855.66
Teachers' Salaries	19,122.90
Text Books and Supplies	1,026.76
Janitor Service	1,750.00
Fuel and Light	1,968.18
Repairs	1,048.60
Health	275.00
Transportation	6,472.75
Janitor's Supplies	311.71
Boiler Inspection	12.00
Graduation Exercises	32.89
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	\$33,876.45
Balance	1.55
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Appropriation	\$33,878.00

Trade School Tuition

Tuition Paid:

Town of Southbridge	\$170.49
City of Springfield	102.67
City of Worcester	8.40

 \$281.56

Balance	18.44
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Appropriation	\$300.00
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Library

Salary, Librarian	\$480.00
Assistant at East Brimfield	13.00
Janitor	180.00
Books	81.88
Fuel	149.70
Light	10.20
Janitor's Supplies	5.94
Care of Grounds	18.00
Insurance	92.75
Other	9.80

 241.27

\$1,126.87

Balance	79.97
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 \$1,206.84

Appropriation	\$600.00
Dog Fund	395.49
Income from Funds	211.35

 \$1,206.84

\$1,206.84

Common

Labor	\$233.00
Supplies	14.61

Town Truck	2.00
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	\$249.61
Balance	.39
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Appropriation	\$250.00

Memorial Day

Speaker	\$10.00
Music	24.90
Labor	4.20
Plants	59.50
Flags	26.40
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Appropriation	\$125.00

Insurance, Property

Premiums Paid	\$622.95
Balance	2.05
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Appropriation	\$625.00

Compensation Insurance

Premium Paid	\$301.93
Appropriation	\$301.93

Town Reports

Printing	\$256.50
Postage	12.00
Typing and Preparing	15.00
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	\$283.50
Balance	1.50
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Appropriation	\$285.00

Taking Census

Appropriation	\$150.00
Expended	87.12
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Balance	\$62.88

Interest

On Temporary Loans	\$ 74.07
On Highway Loans	35.23
On Schoolhouse Bonds	460.00
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	\$569.30
Balance	15.70
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Appropriation	\$585.00

Cemetery

Labor	\$469.65
Supplies and Repairs	54.95
Misc. Expense	8.35
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	\$532.95
Balance	17.05
	<hr/>
	\$550.00
Appropriation	\$500.00
Trans. from Reserve Fund	50.00

Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$15,000.00
Highway Loans	9,875.00
Schoolhouse Bond	2,000.00
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	\$26,875.00

Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$1,186.95
County Tax	1,562.71
Dog Licenses for County	426.80
Perpetual Care Funds	480.50
War Tax Withheld	3,085.90
Deposited Interest on same	158.20
Sunday License for State	4.00
Expended from Edgar Brown Fund	74.25
Refunds:	
Poll and Property Tax	\$40.19
M. V. Excise Tax	4.79
Cash on hand, end of year	10,936.47
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	\$123,629.75

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand January 1, 1946	\$10,936.47
Taxes, Levy of 1945	5,347.86
Classified Forest Land Taxes	167.42
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	59.69
Tax Title	37.27
Tax Possessions	572.83
Accounts Receivable:	
Due from State a/c Highways	2,996.11
Due on County Tax	
(under assessment)	30.93

Liabilities

Overlay, Levy of 1945	\$ 122.68
Overlay Surplus	2,742.29
Revenue reserved until collected:	
Tax Title Revenue	\$610.10
C. F. Land Tax	167.42
M. V. Excise Tax	59.69
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Sale of Real Estate Fund	837.21
Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	47.84
Machinery Fund	155.00
Compensation Insurance Fund	2,976.60
Loan in anticipation	410.24
Reimbursement	
Account balances carried to 1946:	1,600.00
Federal Grants O.A.A.	
Federal Grants A.D.C.	3,378.99
O.A.A. Refund Account	455.69
Edgar Brown Playground Fund	60.30
Interest on Gov't Bonds to be deposited	339.89
Surplus Revenue	30.00
	6,991.85
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	\$20,148.58

TRUST FUNDS

Trust and Investment Funds:			
Cash on Deposit	\$41,962.48		
Harriet Harding, Charity			\$2,862.31
Harriet Allen, School			644.73
Library Funds: .			
Mary K. Hyde		\$ 831.50	
Ursula J. Shaw		2,489.09	
Eudocia C. Flynt		103.52	
Julia Ellen Coy		645.04	
Albert G. Tarbell		200.00	
Elizabeth B. Robinson		411.41	
Fitzhenry Warren		1,000.00	
Emily Allen Woods		500.00	
Chamberlain-Smith		581.60	
Jas. D. Lincoln,			
Building Fund	5,033.30		11,795.46
Cemetery Gate Fund			31.60
Cemetery Wall Fund			404.37
Perpetual Care Funds			17,918.01
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund			8,306.00
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	\$41,962.48		\$41,962.48

OUTSTANDING DEBT

Outstanding December 31, 1945	\$21,000.00	Schoolhouse Bonded Loan	\$21,000.00
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Tax Collector's Report

1945

Commitments as per warrants		\$34,425.88
Abatement, refunded		33.99
		<hr/> \$34,459.87
Cash to treasurer	\$28,349.38	
Abatements	593.08	
To Tax Title	9.90	
	<hr/> \$28,952.36	
Less interest coll.	7.77	
	<hr/>	28,944.59
Outstanding December 31, 1945		<hr/> \$5,515.28

1944

Outstanding January 1, 1945		\$4,868.90
Commitment in excess of warrant		.02
Abatement refunded		6.20
		<hr/> \$4,875.12
Cash to treasurer	\$4,947.96	
Abatements	42.15	
To Tax Title	9.30	
	<hr/> \$4,999.41	
Less interest collected	124.29	
	<hr/>	\$4,875.12

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, 1945

Commitment as per Warrants		\$1,183.29
Abatement refunded		4.19
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		\$1,187.48
Cash to treasurer	\$1,123.90	
Abatement	4.19	
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	\$1,128.09	
Less interest collected	.30	
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		\$1,127.79
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Outstanding December 31, 1945		\$59.69

HERBERT A. FOGG

Collector of Taxes

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Memorial Day Committee wishes to express appreciation for the cooperation of the Legion Auxiliary in making wreaths for the various town monuments and the generosity of A. C. Wood in donating ice cream for the children who participated in the day's observance.

ROBERT E. BRUCE

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

EDWARD MARRIOTT

PERCY MOORE

RUTH FISKE

ESTHER PARKER

GLADYS L. WEBBER

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

We have cared for both the cemetery at the center and at West Brimfield.

We have had an unusual amount of foundation work and opening graves for which we have been reimbursed and have turned over to the town treasurer \$199.60. This represents about two fifths of our appropriation and this, together with the fact of its being a wet season necessitating mowing the grass twice as much as usual, obliged us to ask for an additional \$50 to meet our requirements. This was transferred from the Reserve Fund.

We have also received \$40 from the sale of lots and this was paid into the town treasury.

Your Commissioners are asking for \$550.00 which they believe necessary to give the cemeteries proper care this coming year.

CHENEY F. NEWTON

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

JAMES E. McINTYRE

Cemetery Commission.

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE
OF CEMETERY

James Adams, Jr.	\$ 7.70
L. V. Howlett	10.85
Byron Russell	7.35
Leo Lavallee	12.95
Cheney Newton	58.00
George Hitchcock	97.30
Ernest Collette	158.90
Joseph Van Hook	50.15
William Hicks	2.10
P. J. McIntyre	3.15
Orville Pratt	3.15
Norman Wesson	5.60
David Pease	11.20
Clark Hayward	3.50
Kenneth Howlett	4.90
Philip Martin	1.40
Joseph Messier	5.60
George Dockham	15.05
Robert Bruce	7.70
Homer Coolbroth	3.00
Brimfield Garage	5.63
C. W. Robinson	10.80
Faulkner Hardware Co.	2.28
Ralph Hall	6.00
F. C. Taplin Co.	28.40
Lindell's Motor Exp.	1.84
George Hitchcock, expense	8.35
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	\$532.95

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

George Dockham	\$39.20
David Pease	30.80
Cheney Newton	5.60
Norman Wesson	19.95
Ernest Collette	225.40
George Hitchcock	71.59
Joseph Van Hook	19.25
Orville Pratt	6.80
Donald Beers	10.15
Leo Lavallee	4.20
Clarence Keith	7.35
Homer Coolbroth	2.75
Brimfield Garage	18.79
James Wesson	5.00
Town Machinery	8.00
Compensation Insurance	5.67

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 1945
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	\$ 51.73
Jennie Agard	500.00	566.03
Stephen Agard	100.00	114.73
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	125.53
Charles Sumner Allen	100.00	102.26
George Allen	100.00	173.77
Elijah Allen	100.00	110.51
Massena B. Allen	100.00	102.83
George Bacon	100.00	142.23
Calvin Baker	100.00	110.01
Francis Bliss	200.00	248.62
Louis Blodgett	100.00	102.78
Francis H. Boardman	100.00	104.67
Sanford Booth	100.00	104.87
Asheal Bennett	500.00	534.71
Herbert Bradway	100.00	107.17
Charles O. Brown	100.00	111.16
Harriet Brown	100.00	136.56
Albert R. Brown	100.00	103.12
F. Edgar Brown	165.64	169.81
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	102.89
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	105.02
Arthur Brown	100.00	113.70
Dauphin Brown	100.00	103.39
Jonathan Brown	100.00	124.56
J. R. Brown	100.00	103.34
James Buxton	100.00	136.06
Darius and Abraham Charles	300.00	312.05
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	212.29
Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	223.10

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 1945
Chamberlain and Dyer	200.00	214.81
Charles and Bacon	100.00	102.73
Alfred Converse	100.00	102.56
Marcus Converse	100.00	115.65
Frank H. Cook	100.00	118.95
Miner Corbin	100.00	105.28
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	136.62
Seth Dunham	100.00	126.44
Charles S. Davis	100.00	105.11
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,025.06
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	104.26
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	121.65
Frederick M. Fenton	200.00	204.15
Ferry and Robinson	100.00	131.61
Ferry and Dix	50.00	52.05
John Foster	100.00	154.69
Etta Fiske	100.00	125.13
Marshall W. French	200.00	234.48
George A. Furness	75.00	78.79
Nathan Goodell	52.00	52.48
William H. Green	100.00	103.09
Lyman Griggs	100.00	104.31
Thomas Harwood	100.00	103.75
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	127.51
David Hitchcock	100.00	122.44
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	78.12
Orson Holdridge	50.00	51.88
Linus Homer	100.00	173.87
George Homer	50.00	51.37
Newton S. Hubbard	100.00	113.96
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	279.42
Albion Janes	100.00	121.47
Edwin Janes	100.00	124.88
David W. Janes	200.00	219.11
H. E. and C. R. Janes	100.00	103.93

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 1945
Austin Jennison	50.00	51.53
Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	117.01
Asa Lawrence	50.00	51.69
James and Asa Lincoln	500.00	629.19
F. A. Lombard	100.00	102.83
Charles E. Lombard	100.00	125.99
Charles O. Lumbard	100.00	121.78
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	161.55
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	120.05
Nathan G. Lyman	75.00	78.33
Edward P. Marriott	100.00	103.50
Charles H. Moore	100.00	105.42
Joseph Marcy	75.00	77.41
Jason Morse	100.00	139.16
Abligence Newell	100.00	110.66
Abner Nichols	100.00	108.14
Emily Noyes	100.00	122.72
John Noyes	100.00	104.45
Cheney Newton	100.00	117.46
Arthur Palmer	100.00	105.04
Fred and Orra Parker	100.00	104.75
Melissa Parker	200.00	317.58
Porter Parker	200.00	247.18
Sumner Parker	100.00	104.97
Etta Pierce	100.00	156.16
Pierce and Dunsmore	200.00	210.55
Albert W. Pierson	100.00	102.89
Norman Powers	75.00	76.84
George Puffer	100.00	107.75
Augusta Rice	100.00	119.97
F. H. Robertson	75.00	77.30
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	226.37
E. T. Sherman	200.00	207.88
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	134.55
John Sherman	100.00	104.83

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance
		Dec. 31, 1945
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	106.82
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	159.94
Everts Tarbell	200.00	241.95
John Tunison	100.00	112.63
Joseph Vaill	100.00	115.72
Charles C. Warren	100.00	118.68
Lily J. Warren	200.00	238.39
Fred M. Webber	100.00	119.22
Jane Webber	100.00	101.56
Jonathan Webber	100.00	130.73
Lilla and Charles Webber	100.00	105.76
Mary Wheeler	50.00	52.82
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	670.99
Wight & Foskett	100.00	113.62
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	104.01
Thomas Williams	200.00	217.13
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	103.75
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	\$15,617.64	\$17,917.99

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

LABOR

Harold Hitchcock	\$177.95
Byron Russell	884.00
Orville Pratt	405.25
L. V. Howlett	12.60
William Hicks	44.10
James Leonard	15.00
George Chaffee	12.00
Alonzo Carpenter	192.50
Brook Cully	33.60
Joseph Messier	476.00
Jas. Adams, Jr.	63.00
P. J. McIntyre	652.40
Milton Sherman	142.80
George Dockham	204.70
Jas. H. Wesson	47.60
Leo Lavalley	50.40
Ernest Collette	161.25
C. P. Wood	54.75
Emil Berger	201.00
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	\$3,830.90

MATERIALS

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	\$411.97
State Prison Colony	15.25
The Barrett Co.	2,158.45
N. E. Concrete Pipe Corp.	4.20

Harold Hitchcock	4.50
Byron Russell	.79
H. C. Maddocks	.70
C. W. Robinson	.80
Louis Gagliardi, gravel	222.87
Ernest Roberts, gravel	14.40
Stanley Hicks, gravel	61.40
Tirzah Lane, gravel	22.80
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	\$2,918.13

HIRED MACHINERY

W. L. Moulton	\$400.00	
Arthur Jefferson	147.50	
J. Fred. Lawrence	47.50	
Chester Hulse	135.00	
Edward Sheeran	155.00	
Ellsworth Bradway	135.00	
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	\$1,020.00	
Compensation Insurance	146.67	
Town Machinery	1,859.19	
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	\$9,974.89	\$9,974.89
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Town Appropriation	\$2,100.00	
State allotment	7,875.00	
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		\$9,975.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

MAINTENANCE

LABOR

Byron Russell	\$ 99.00
Orville Pratt	111.00

Alonzo Carpenter	73.50
Joseph Messier	70.70
P. J. McIntyre	142.80
George Dockham	77.70
Jas. Adams, Jr.	25.20
William Hicks	23.10
Milton Sherman	65.10
Jas. Wesson	26.60
Leo Lavalley	26.60
Lewis Brown	2.10
Ernest Collette	61.50
Emil Berger	68.25

\$873.15

P. T. Brown, tractor	46.25
Hatch's Village Store	11.90
The Barrett Co.	1,090.72
S. C. Hicks, gravel	27.83
Town Machinery	317.45
Compensation Insurance	32.69

\$2,399.99

Town Appropriation	\$800.00
County allotment	800.00
State allotment	800.00

\$2,400.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL HIGHWAYS

Harold Hitchcock	\$393.40
Alonzo Carpenter	25.90
L. V. Howlett	127.80
Orville Pratt	166.20

Byron Russell	265.00
P. J. McIntyre	79.10
George Dockham	30.80
Stanley Adams	5.60
Joseph Messier	98.00
Leslie Dewey	21.75
C. P. Wood	42.00
Herman Horton	32.25
Ernest Collette	139.65
Brook Cully	57.40
Norman Howlett	6.30
Kenneth Howlett	2.80
Al. Jensen	3.50
Emil Berger	27.75
Jas. Adams, Jr.	162.20
Leo Lavallee	4.20
Arthur Dion	17.50
Arthur Brown	52.55
J. H. Wesson	4.20
Joseph Van Hook	13.30
James Howlett	6.00
Charles Wheeler	11.20
Milton Sherman	7.00

Total Labor	\$1,842.55
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Town of Sturbridge	10.00
Com. of Mass.	13.50
Faulkner Hardware Co.	13.30
Lewis Howlett	227.98
James Hoyt	65.98
Am. Wrecking Co.	41.30
Clark Wilcox Co.	2.50
Hatch's Village Store	17.58
H. C. Maddocks	1.40

Compensation Insurance	36.72
Town Machinery	1,474.10
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	\$3,746.91

Town Appropriation	\$3,500.00
From Reserve Fund	250.00
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	\$3,750.00

EXPENDED FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN MACHINERY

Harold Hitchcock	\$123.25
Byron Russell	133.50
James Adams, Jr.	7.00
Arthur E. Brown	11.90
Herbert Moore	15.40
L. V. Howlett	7.70
Orville Pratt	52.55
Leslie Dewey	3.75
Arthur Dion	4.90
Wm. D. Spooner	146.88
Harold Hitchcock	13.26
Byron Russell	.84
Mary Piazzo	100.00
Brimfield Garage	929.38
Franklin Machine & Foundry Co.	111.00
Jefferson Auto Specialties	25.70
A. E. Tousignan	20.00
International Harvester Co.	413.00
Cons. Steel Syndicate	464.18
Valley Garage	82.50
Faulkner Hardware Co.	10.15
B. E. Campbell	1.49
Warren Campbell	130.08
Clark-Wilcox Co.	99.43

Carey's Machine Shop	3.74
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	731.19
Lindell's Motor Exp.	.62
West Side Motor Exp.	.82
Walsh Holyoke Boiler Works	137.00
McClean Heating Supplies	14.92
Compensation Insurance	3.47
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	\$3,799.60
Transfer to Fund	45.40
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Appropriation	\$3,845.00

Report of The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance

During the year we have aided one relief case which was chargeable to another town and for which Brimfield will be reimbursed. There was one case in another town which was chargeable to Brimfield.

The Bureau of Old Age Assistance has had 21 cases during the year and at the close of the year had 20 cases on the payroll.

Paid Cash Grants O.A.A.	\$10,041.56
Received Federal Grants	\$4,614.77
Received from State	4,639.03
Received from Other Towns	54.61
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	9,308.41
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Cost to Brimfield	\$733.15

JAS. A. G. HOYT
NOAH FOUNTAIN
ROGER H. DAVIS

Board of Public Welfare
Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Report of

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1945:

	Adjusted	Sealed
Platform Scales	5	7
Counter Scales		1
Spring Scales	5	10
Computing Scales		3
Avoirdupois Weights		29
Liquid Measures		9
Oil Jars		1
Gasoline Meters	4	14
Kerosene Pumps		1

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Sealer

Report of

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

During 1945, the department responded to 23 calls. There was but one house fire, that of Thomas Magrath, causing damage of about \$200. The remaining calls were for 13 forest fires, 5 chimney fires and 4 truck fires on the highway.

This was a fortunate year and the department appreciates your calling promptly. Remember your emergency phone 222 on an open line at all times.

H. B. LANDEN

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Assessors

Town appropriations raised	
by taxation	\$64,096.49
Appropriated from available funds	9,474.93
Maturing debt	2,000.00
State Tax	1,156.00
State Parks	41.19
County Tax	1,531.78
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	49.91
Overlay of current year	715.76
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Total	\$79,066.06
Available funds and estimated receipts	46,364.78
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To be raised by taxation	\$32,701.28
277 Polls @ \$2.00	554.00
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	\$32,147.28
Valuation of personal property	\$175,480.00
Valuation of real property	798,680.00
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Total	\$974,160.00
Tax Rate—\$33.00	
Excise tax on motor vehicles	\$1,183.29
Acres of land assessed	19,168
Dwellings assessed	405

Cows assessed	492
Neat cattle assessed	243
Swine assessed	22
Sheep assessed	19
Horses assessed	79
Fowl assessed	11,466

JOHN M. HALEY

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN P. MOORE

Assessors

BUDGET FOR 1946

	Expended 1945	Recom. for 1946	Fin. Com. Recom.
Selectmen	\$852.02	\$975.00	\$975.00
Town Accountant	514.02	625.00	625.00
Treasurer	537.57	600.00	600.00
Collector	597.41	600.00	600.00
Assessors	681.59	800.00	1,000.00
Certifying Notes	6.00	10.00	10.00
Town Clerk	215.32	225.00	225.00
Election and Registration	66.70	275.00	275.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Town Hall	1,072.05	1,250.00	1,300.00
Town Hall Repairs	841.35		
Police	176.08	150.00	150.00
Fire Department	1,469.07	600.00	600.00
Forest Fire	455.44	500.00	500.00
Sealer	58.45	65.00	65.00
Moth Suppression	177.28	375.00	375.00
Tree Warden	32.50	50.00	50.00
Reserve Fund		500.00	500.00
Health	130.36	150.00	150.00

Highways, Chapter 81	2,100.00	2,520.00	2,520.00
Chapter 90, Construction		2,000.00	2,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	800.00	500.00	500.00
General Highway	3,746.91	3,500.00	3,500.00
Street Lighting	931.00	935.00	935.00
Charity	690.59	1,500.00	1,300.00
Old Age Assistance	7,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00
Old Age Assistance Adm.	200.00	300.00	300.00
Aid to Dependent Children			200.00
Schools	33,876.45	35,274.00	35,274.00
Trade School Tuition	281.56	300.00	300.00
Library	520.03	600.00	600.00
Soldiers' Benefits	236.53	800.00	800.00
Common	249.61	250.00	250.00
Memorial Day	125.00	125.00	125.00
Insurance, town property	622.95	350.00	350.00
Town Reports	283.50	300.00	300.00
Cemetery	532.95	550.00	550.00
Interest on temporary loans	109.30	150.00	150.00
Interest on maturing debt	460.00	420.00	420.00
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	\$61,249.59	\$64,724.00	\$64,974.00

Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on December 10, 1945 and organized with E. Stanley Parker as Chairman and James C. Hatch, Clerk. At this meeting it was voted to transfer the following sums from the Reserve Fund:

Police Department, \$50.00; General Highway, \$250.00; Law Books, \$.40; Cemetery, \$50.00.

The Committee met on January 24, 1946 and considered the articles in the warrant for the special town meeting.

A meeting was held on February 11, 1946 to consider the annual budget as prepared by the town accountant and also the articles in the warrant for the annual meeting calling for an appropriation of money.

The budget recommendations of the Committee will be found on another page.

JAMES C. HATCH

Clerk

Librarian's Report

There has been very little change in the circulation.

We have had much trouble in getting the books ordered on account of the paper situation.

Among the visitors at the Library was Mrs. Josephine Young Case, author of *Written in Sand*, a novel about General Eaton, once a native of Brimfield. She sent as a gift an autograph copy.

The Vital records of West Springfield has been received.

There has been great improvement on the ground back of the Library and we hope this year will see it finished.

We welcome all visitors.

The list of new books follows.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNMORE

Librarian

FICTION

Baker, Louise	Party Line
Bassett, Sara Ware	Silver Moon Cottage
Buck, Pearl S.	Portrait of Marriage
Case, Josephine Young	Written in Sand
Eberhart, Mignon G.	Wings of Fear
Ferber, Edna	Great Son
Ferguson, Margaret	Sign of the Ram
Forbes, Helen	Apple Pie Hill
Fox, Norman A.	Thorson of Thunder Gulch
Gooden, Arthur Henry	Valley of Dry Bones
Goudge, Elizabeth	Green Dolphin Street
Hamlin, Helen	Nine Mile Bridge
Hilton, James	So Well Remembered
Hobart, Alice T.	The Peacock Sheds His Tail
Kane, Harnett T.	Plantation Parade
Kantor, MacKinlay	Long Remember
Keyes, Frances P.	The River Road
Loring, Emilie	Beyond the Sound of Guns
Lutz, Grace Livingston	A Girl to Come Home to
MacLennan, Hugh	Two Solitudes
Mayo, Eleanor R.	Turn Home
Molley, Roberts	Pride's Way
Pinckney, Josephine	Three O'Clock Dinner
Raine, William M.	Who Wants to Live Forever
Rinehart, Mary R.	The Yellow Room
Seifert, Elizabeth	Orchard Hill
Thirkell, Angela	The Headmistress
Ulman, James R.	The White Tower
Widdemer, Margaret	Constancia Herself

JUVENILE

Abbott, Jane	Mary Patten's Daughters
Ashton, Helen	Yoeman's Hospital
Baker, Elizabeth	Stocky
DeMers, Joe	Taffy
Disney	The Cold Blooded Penguin
Disney	Through the Picture Frame
Glick, Carl	Mickey, Horse that Volunteered
Hayes, Marjorie	Green Peace
Holberg, Ruth L.	Michael and the Captain
Irwin, Margaret	Young Bess
Jones, Mary Alice	Tell Me About God
Torrey, Marjorie	Penny
Wehr, Julian	Happy Little Choo-Choo
Wheeler	Sing for America

NON-FICTION

Baker, Ray	American Chronicle
Barmine, Alexander	One Who Survived
Brockway, Sylvia	Sarah and I
Chase, Mary Ellen	The Bible and the Common Reader
Cobb, Elisabeth	My Wayward Parent
Howard, Guy	Walking Preacher of the Ozarks
Landon, Margaret	Anna and the King of Siam
Mauldin, Bill	Up Front
Miller, Francis T.	General Douglas MacArthur
Pauikkar, K. M.	India and the Indian Ocean
Peffer, Nathaniel	America's Place in the World
Pyle, Ernie	Brave Men
Porter, Alyene	Papa Was a Preacher
Snow, Edward R.	Famous Lighthouses of New England
Stuart, Jesse	Taps for Private Tussie
Tennien, Mark	Chungking Listening Post

1945 Report
of the
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO
AGRICULTURE AND THE
HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
LEAGUE
TOWN of BRIMFIELD

Agricultural Work:

All farmers in town have been kept informed of the latest developments in Agricultural problems by means of personal visits by the County Agents or through group meetings, circulars, bulletins, and field demonstrations. Opportunity has been given to all in matters pertaining to crop production, better care of livestock and general farm management problems.

Home Bureau Work:

During the year 137 women attended 17 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 7 different local leaders assisted by the County Agents. There were 5 different projects undertaken as requested by various groups of homemakers, and the following local leaders incurred expenses amounting to \$15.67: Mrs. Louisa Phipps, Mrs. Raymond Lemmelin and Mrs. Virginia Lucier.

4-H Club Work

There were 5 young people enrolled in 4 different 4-H Club projects under the direction of the County

Agents. Outstanding awards for excellence in their projects were given to several members.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1945 Appropriation	None
Balance carried over from 1944	\$76.65
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	\$76.65
Expended in 1945	15.67
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Balance available for 1946	\$60.98
Appropriation recommended for 1946	None

NOTE: The town appropriation is deposited with the County Treasurer and held to the credit of the town for reimbursing local town leaders for their necessary expenses in conducting such work as may be assigned them.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY
AID TO AGRICULTURE

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—1945

Member	Term Expires
HENRY LACH, Chairman	1946
CLARK W. HAYWARD	1947
BEATRICE H. MacCONNELL, Secretary	1948

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Harold M. Ladd

OFFICE HOURS

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 A. M. to 12:00 M.—1:30 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.
when school is in session

At high school or elementary school by appointment.
Telephone, Monson 67 (office) or Brimfield 344 (residence).

SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

Helynn S. Haley

Office Telephone—Monson 67

OFFICE HOURS

8:30 A. M. to 12:00 M.—1:30 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.
when school is in session

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN	Harry Rosenblum, M.D.
SCHOOL NURSE	Luella I. Young, R.N.
SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE	Edward Sheeran

HOURS OF SCHOOL SESSIONS

High School:

8:45 A. M. to 12:04 P. M.—12:45 P. M. to 3:00 P. M.

Elementary School:

8:45 A. M. to 12:00 M.—12:55 P. M. to 2:55 P. M.

No School Signal—Three long blasts at 7:30 A. M.

Beatrice H. MacConnell will have charge of notifying the townspeople when there will be no session of school.

ENTERING AGE OF CHILDREN

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

BRIMFIELD - WALES

1946

- Wednesday January 2—Schools open.
- Thursday February 21 — Schools close for Winter vacation.
- Monday March 4—Schools open.
- Friday April 19—Good Friday, schools closed.
- Friday April 26—Schools close for Spring vacation.
- Monday May 6—Schools open.
- Thursday May 30—Schools closed, Memorial Day.
- Friday June 7—Elementary school closes for Summer vacation.
- Tuesday June 18—High School closes for Summer vacation.
- Tuesday September 3—Teachers' Meeting, Union #8, 12:30 P. M., Town Hall, Monson.
- Wednesday September 4—Schools open.
- Wednesday November 27—Schools close at 12:30 P. M. for Thanksgiving recess.
- Monday December 2—Schools open.
- Friday December 20—Schools close for Christmas vacation.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Brimfield:

I herewith submit my fourth report as superintendent of schools. This report is a discussion of projects completed during the past year and plans for the future. This report includes the reports of supervisors and statistical tables that relate to the operation of the schools.

Staff

The following teacher assignments have been made during the past year: Grade I, Edna Peterson; Grades IV and V, Helen D. Connors; Grade VIII, Arline L. Smith; Commercial, Margaret Garvey. A statement of training and experience of all teachers will be found in Appendix D.

Plant

The efficiency of the heating system at the elementary school has been increased by the installation of individual thermostats in each classroom and the basement. All outside woodwork has been given two coats of paint. Six new lighting fixtures have been installed in the third and fourth grade room. The oil burner has been overhauled and a new motor installed. Six teeter boards are under construction by the manual training department of the high school and the material is being furnished by the F. Edgar Brown estate.

Alterations at the high school have been made in accordance with the requirements of the State Building Inspector and include automatic emergency lighting systems for the halls and stairway; a complete fire alarm system with stations on each floor. Emergency exit doors have been added in the library and home economics room leading to the newly installed fire escapes. The ceiling in the library has had three coats of paint and the walls have been redecorated.

Curriculum

Curriculum changes in a period of readjustment are mainly a matter of emphasis. The cessation of hostilities was abrupt and came upon us while we were exercising every effort to train pupils in the art of self-preservation. Present needs deal with economic, political and social problems. Now that we have peace, we must learn how to live that it may endure.

The immediate future will be abnormal and its duration inversely proportional to our ability to weigh values and think clearly. We are entering a new era and have at our command economic and natural forces that may change our whole concept of life. We must learn to think in terms of international relationships rather than what concerns us as a nation. The whole field of social studies is a potential training ground for intelligent citizenship.

We have made gains in developing physical fitness programs and these must be extended by installing more playground equipment and facilities that provide group participation. Desirable character traits such as fair play, tolerance and cooperation are natural products of a properly supervised playground and should not be considered incidental. These habits are formed early in

life and determine what sort of an adult will be the ultimate result. It is important that schools teach how to get along with people and it is not accomplished by using a text; it is taught on the playground.

War Effort

Brimfield schools participated in salvage campaigns during the past year and purchased stamps and bonds. There are two outstanding benefits derived from this program: (1) good thrift habits are formed by saving small amounts regularly and (2) the individual is given the opportunity to make a material contribution to the cause of victory.

Stamp sales — June 1944 — June 1945

High School	\$147.05
Elementary School	593.80
Total	<hr/> \$740.85

The Responsibilities of Peace

War needs emphasized the value of education in specific fields of endeavor. When boys reached military age they suddenly realized that their progress from that point depended upon how well they had utilized their educational opportunities. The government called upon secondary schools to do a specific job and to do it better than it had ever been done before. The advent of peace presents a series of new problems that are more difficult to solve because they deal with the development of personality traits rather than proficiency in specific skills. The teacher of tomorrow must be a student of human nature trained to recognize and develop abilities that will result in leadership.

It is difficult to convince a boy that he should take a long-range view of life and remain in school when industry offers abnormally high wages for his services. It takes courage and fortitude on the part of parents to refrain from accepting more family income because when the purchasing power of the dollar declines, it takes more cash income to make ends meet. The National Education Association realized the dangers brought about by these conflicting forces when it launched its "Back-to-School Campaign."

Experience has shown conclusively that education does pay. The results of many surveys show that the earning capacity of an individual is directly proportional to the amount of education he acquires. It borders on criminal negligence for any pupil to drop out of school for the sole purpose of finding a job. Schools must be diligent in this matter but schools alone will not succeed; the problem calls for the wholehearted cooperation of understanding parents.

The first years of peace usually produce abnormal values. We, as a nation, will soon have the opportunity to demonstrate our intellectual strength by controlling those factors which tend to produce social and economic chaos. World peace has little chance of survival in the hands of an illiterate and ignorant populace whether it be in this country or some other. Education is now faced with its greatest challenge because only through education do we have any hope of a lasting peace.

Finances

We desire the services of the best teachers available and strive to provide adequate teaching materials for our children. These commodities cost more than they did a year ago and indications are that they will cost

more in the future. Receipts from sources other than local taxation in 1945, nearly equalled the net local appropriation and if proposals now under consideration materialize, there will be more state and federal assistance available for the support of public education. Massachusetts is one of the eight wealthiest states in the Union and should be in a position to do more for local school systems.

The purchasing power of the dollar will determine the fluctuation of the school budget.

Conclusion

I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Brimfield School committee, parents, teachers, and town officials, for their continued cooperation in maintaining educational opportunities for our children that compare favorably with those found in any community.

No problem is too great to be solved by such cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

Appendix A

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I submit my fourth annual report as principal of
Brimfield High School.

School opened September 5, 1945 with an enrolment
of 103 pupils. This represents an increase of 10 over the
number in attendance in June.

As we enter this first year of peace we can review
the war service of Brimfield High School on the home
front, and in preparing our young people for the armed
services, as one in which all who are connected with the
school may take pride.

Victory has been achieved and we turn to the prob-
lems of these times with confidence that they will be
overcome.

Health is still the first consideration of the school.
All pupils have been examined by the School Doctor and
reports of deficiencies have been sent to the parents.

The School Committee and Academy Trustees have spent much effort in making the building more attractive and safer by painting and also installing safety features. Our Physical Education Program is, however, limited by lack of facilities for indoor activities.

The providing of noon lunches is an excellent health provision. This project started and carried on by the Student Council, has been put under the charge of a committee of the Brimfield Grange in order to provide lunches for the elementary school as well as the high school. I am glad to see this kind of cooperation between the school and local civic organizations.

There are some problems that need our attention.

First: Too many Brimfield children fail to obtain the advantages of a complete High School education. Most of those who drop out of school to go to work are handicapping themselves in, what will soon be, a highly competitive labor market.

Second: There is little provision for the acquisition of saleable skills. We need to become aware of the fact that the basic service to humanity is occupational labor. We must go further than that, and teach in our schools that there is a dignity of labor and a degree of social service in every occupation.

Third: In the field of guidance we rely on the fact that we know the pupils intimately. It is anything but scientific guidance that we perform and as more complex avenues open they need an increasing amount of wise counseling; based on real knowledge of their abilities and special aptitudes.

Fourth: Too many of our pupils get away from us without a knowledge of the basic science needed to live in an age as scientific as this.

We continue to give a good deal of thought and effort to the problems of tolerance and democratic citizenship. We intend to place emphasis on the acquisition of desirable skills, right attitudes towards work, and strengthening of the desire to work happily and effectually together.

With the continued hearty support and cooperation of you, as superintendent, the school committee and the faculty, we should continue on the way toward making Brimfield High School one of the best small schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. BRUCE

Principal

Appendix B-1

School Health Work**REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE — 1945**

The school health supervision is made by the school physician and nurse. Dr. Irving P. Sherman resigned during the year, after many years of service and Dr. Harry Rosenblum was appointed to fill the vacancy. He examined the children at the elementary school and the Hitchcock Academy during October and November. Recommendations were made to parents where special medical and dental care was indicated.

The nurse visited the schools twenty times during the year and seventeen home visits were made to consult with parents about the health needs of children.

This year the hearing tests were made with the audiometer loaned by the State Department of Health and vision was tested with the lighted Snellen chart which belongs to the local chapter of the American Red Cross. The children were weighed and measured twice and a record of the growth kept.

Since nearly all of the childrens' infectious diseases begin with symptoms of a cold, parents should be more careful about sending children to school when they seem to have a cold.

Respectfully submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.

School Nurse

Appendix B-2

SCHOOL HEALTH WORK**REPORT OF SCHOOL DOCTOR — 1945**

Supt. of Schools and School Committee

Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as school physician for the year 1945.

The school examinations were conducted at the opening of the school year. On the whole the health level was commendable and the children appeared well nourished and normal in most respects. I believe however that there is room for improvement particularly in the care of teeth and tonsils. Any defects found were recorded and subsequently checked by the school nurse in follow-up visits to parents encouraging correction wherever possible.

I wish to thank Miss Young and the faculty for their kind cooperation.

Very truly yours,

HARRY A. ROSENBLUM, M. D.

Appendix C

Report of the MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd

Superintendent of Schools

Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

Music is taught in the public schools today for the purpose of helping each pupil to appreciate good music. In the primary and elementary grades this is being done by the singing of many one and two part songs taught by note or rote. (The purpose of singing by note is to give the pupil a sufficient background in rhythms and chromatics so that when he reaches the seventh or eighth grade, he should be able to sing new songs at sight and with words. The average pupil can do this providing he has the proper amount of note reading after he leaves the first grade.)

Instrumental instruction in these grades has been continued.

A concert was given this year by the pupils in the primary and elementary grades and by the orchestra and band. The band again played for the Memorial Day parades in both Brimfield and Wales.

In the high school the size of the band, orchestra and glee club are nearly the same as a year ago, with

a small increase in the size of the orchestra and band. All three of these groups have performed for various school activities.

In closing, may I express my sincere appreciation to you, Mr. Ladd, and to the principals and teachers for your fine coopération and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

WENDELL B. PHILLIPS

Supervisor of Music

Appendix D

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1945

Position	Name	Training	Institution Attended	Years service in Brimfield	Total years of service
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd	B.S. Ed.M.	University of New Hampshire	4	25
Secretary to the Superintendent	Helynn S. Haley	*	Bay Path Institute	9	10
High School					
Commercial	Margaret Garvey	A.B.	Our Lady of Elms	1	1
English	Eugenia P. Tarbell	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	11	14
Math., Science	Freda B. Stegner	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	14	22
Sci., Soc. Studies	Robert E. Bruce, Prin.	B.S.	University of N. H.	4	17
Music ‡	Wendell B. Phillips	Mus.B.	Boston University	1	4
Household Arts †	Morine P. Cheney	E.S.	University of Tennessee	3	10
Manual Training †	John Rainka	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	7	10
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			3	—

Elementary School

Grade I	Edna Peterson	B.S. Ed.M.	Boston University	1	11
Grade II	Gladys Webber	*	Westfield Normal	6	31
Grades III-IV	Mary T. Paier	B.S. in Ed.	Westfield S.T.C.	3	3
Grades IV-V	Helen D. Connors	B.A.	Our Lady of Elms	1	1
Grade VI	Ruth L. Fiske, Prin.	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	2	3
Grade VII	Mary Gaudette	—	—	2	27
Grade VIII	Arline L. Smith	B.A.	American International	1	1

* Diploma.

† Part-time.

‡ Doris Phillips, January 2, 1945, to November 26, 1945.

Appendix E—Table I

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS—1945

As of October 1

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16
Total in Town:		
Boys	23	91
Girls	15	83
Total	<u>38</u>	<u>174</u>
In public school	19	161
In continuation school		
In vocational school		1
In private school	2	11
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		
Not enrolled in any school	17	1
Total	<u>38</u>	<u>174</u>

Appendix E—Table II
GRADE — AGE TABLE
(As of October, 1945)

Age Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
I	3	16	2														21
II		2	16	7	1												26
III			3	8	2				1								15
IV				2	18	5	3										28
V					2	10	2	1									14
VI						2	11	1	6	2							22
VII							1	10	4	3	2						20
VIII								5	10	3	1						19
IX									6	8	5	4					23
X										8	5	3	1				17
XI											5	8	1	1			15
XII												4	5				9
Total	3	18	21	17	23	17	17	17	27	24	18	19	7	1			229

Appendix E—Table III

ATTENDANCE DATA

Year Ending June 30, 1945

	Elem.	Sr. High	Total
Average membership	145	60	205
Non-resident pupils paying tuition in Brimfield	21	25	46
Net average membership	124	35	159
Average daily attendance	136	57	193
Schools in session, total days	173	178	—

Appendix F

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS—1945

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$1,000.92	
Helynn S. Haley	383.88	
Clark Hayward	75.00	
Beatrice MacConnell	75.00	
Henry Lach	75.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	93.96	
Edward Sheeran	64.80	
Wright & Potter Print. Co.	13.27	
Makepeace Press	14.05	
John Manter	25.00	
H. T. Janes	11.78	
	<hr/>	\$1,832.66

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Robert E. Bruce	\$2,520.00
Margaret Garvey	560.00
Freda Stegner	1,750.00
Eugenia Tarbell	1,750.00
Doris Phillips	390.00
Wendell Phillips	45.00
Ruth Fiske	1,505.00
Mary Paier	1,515.00
Helen Connors	560.00
Mary Peterson	560.00
Gladys Webber	1,412.90
Mary Gaudette	1,340.00
Arline Smith	560.00
Morine Cheney	539.00
John Rainka	612.00
Florence Donovan	20.00

Grace Odneal	15.00
Susanne Caswell	840.00
Tena Sironaitis	831.00
Mrs. D. W. Harrington	390.00
Zylpha Allen	15.00
Hazel Orcutt	54.00
Evelyn Bickford Landen	984.00
Harriet Lombard	355.00
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	\$19,122.90

TEXTBOOKS

Scott Foresman & Co.	\$ 16.69
World Book Co.	33.39
Ginn & Co.	64.22
Laidlaw Bros.	50.30
Houghton Mifflin Co.	9.09
John C. Winston Co.	5.40
Lyons Carnahan Co.	13.24
Iroquois Pub. Co.	7.06
Gregg Writer	6.00
Henry Holt & Co.	2.05
So.-Western Pub. Co.	18.67
Business Ed. World	2.00
Carl Fischer, Inc.	2.89
Macmillan Co.	11.63
Am. Educ. Press	3.78
Gregg Pub. Co.	9.24
Arlo Pub. Co.	4.34
Ed. E. Babb & Co., Inc.	4.18
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	\$264.17

SUPPLIES

Ed. E. Babb & Co., Inc.	\$157.46
Hatch's Village Store	1.88
S. K. Nelson Co.	16.00

Makepeace Press	5.50	
Lyons Carnahan Co.	11.44	
Carl Fischer, Inc.	2.00	
Rice & Godaire	54.00	
Morine P. Cheney	24.25	
J. L. Hammett Co.	208.02	
Cambosco Sci. Co.	2.61	
Laidlaw Bros.	29.49	
Brodhead Garrett Co.	5.12	
Reformatory for Women	16.39	
Bastiens, Inc.	8.40	
H. T. Janes	1.65	
	<hr/>	\$544.21

WAGES OF JANITOR

Edward Sheeran	\$1,750.00	
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FUEL

Harlow E. Jones	\$711.52	
Palmer Coal Co.	701.83	
Raymond D. Clark	10.00	
Squier & Co.	80.95	
	<hr/>	\$1,504.30

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Worcester County Elec. Co.	\$291.38
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	347.83
C. W. Robinson	1.15
Hatch's Village Store	32.38
Douglas A. Reed	22.50
G. A. Authier & Sons	5.20
Frank Bros. Paper Co.	114.55

Faulkner Hardware Co.	16.25	
Reformatory for Women	2.19	
Forrest E. Heck	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$836.43

REPAIRS

F. W. Nightingale	\$ 33.12	
Faulkner Hardware Co.	1.50	
R. A. Manley	5.00	
T. O. Aliengena	224.91	
George Vadnais Co.	151.00	
E. G. Hubert	61.99	
E. W. Fisher	51.47	
Pittsburgh Plateglass Co.	1.71	
James A. Adams	243.50	
Edward Sheeran	30.00	
Edward Gilman	3.50	
Milton Sherman	3.50	
Lewis Brown	3.50	
James Maloney	3.50	
R. J. MacConnell, Jr.	3.50	
Palmer Coal Co.	161.50	
G. C. Winter Co.	198.58	
Springfield Office Supply Co.	20.35	
	<hr/>	\$1,202.13

LIBRARIES

Gregg Writer	\$ 1.00	
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HEALTH

Hampden County T. Ass'n.	\$200.00
Dr. Harry Rosenblum	75.00

Faulkner Hardware Co.	12.38	
MacBen Sporting Co.	11.63	
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TRANSPORTATION

Arthur Brown	\$2,500.00	
George Freeman	2,476.50	
William Spooner	1,357.50	
Sam Adams	64.75	
Donald Loux	74.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,472.75

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Lindell's Motor Express	\$1.33	
Com., Public Safety	12.00	
Davitt & Calkins	.50	
Scott Foresman & Co.	.17	
Palmer Register, Inc.	10.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	2.89	
Robert Illingworth	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$46.89

SUMMARY

	Expenditures	Estimates
	1945	1946
General expenses	\$1,832.66	\$1,750.00
Expenses of Instruction:		
Teachers salaries	19,122.90	20,639.00
Textbooks	264.17	400.00
Supplies	544.21	400.00

Expenses of Operating:

Janitor's wages	1,750.00	1,800.00
Fuel	1,504.30	1,400.00
Miscellaneous	836.43	665.00
Maintenance (repairs)	1,202.13	600.00

Auxiliary Agencies:

Libraries	1.00	25.00
Health	299.01	300.00
Transportation	6,472.75	7,020.00
Miscellaneous	46.89	75.00
New equipment	0.00	200.00
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	\$33,876.45	\$35,274.00

Total appropriation, 1945	\$33,878.00
Total expenditures, 1945	33,876.45
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Unexpended balance, 1945	\$ 1.55
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Appendix G

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS

Total appropriation, 1945	\$33,878.00
Unexpended balance, 1945	1.55
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Expended appropriation, 1945	\$33,876.45

Receipts:

From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part I	\$2,862.50
General School Fund, Part II	2,695.15
High School Grant	1,065.00
On account of superintendent and travel	483.33
Tuition and transportation of State wards	4,728.91
Tuition of non-resident pupils	1,560.00
Income that must be expended for support of schools	2,000.00
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Total Receipts	15,394.89
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NET COST OF SCHOOLS TO TOWN	\$18,481.56

Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss.

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1946 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare; one School Committee, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years.

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 P. M.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

✓ Article 5. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement, and purchase of town machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To elect one trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair, maintain and construct sidewalks in the town of Brimfield, or take any action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

✓ Article 19. To see if the town will vote that the collector of taxes be elected for a three year term. *Elect man*

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 723, Acts of 1945, being an act to authorize the establishment and maintenance of municipal departments and of districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans.

Article 21. To see if the town will accept a piece of land from Dr. F. A. Charles for cemetery purposes.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a power lawn mower for use of cemetery and common, or take any action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the school lunch program.

Article 24. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to repair and maintain the Old Center

School building and grounds for the benefit of Veterans' organizations with the American Legion, Charles M. Streeter Post #263 as custodians, or take any action thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of five to investigate the proposed Flood Control Project, or take any action thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourth day of February, 1946.

EDWIN F. FENTON

CHENEY F. NEWTON

Selectmen of Brimfield

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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Brimfield



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1946

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1947

Town Officers --- 1946

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

HERBERT A. FOGG

Selectmen

EDWIN F. FENTON WILLIAM G. HAVERLY
EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Assessors

JOHN M. HALEY	Term expires 1947
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1948
JOHN P. MOORE	Term expires 1949

Board of Public Welfare

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1947
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1948
EVELYN B. LANDEN	Term expires 1949

School Committee

CLARK W. HAYWARD	Term expires 1947
BEATRICE J. MacCONNELL	Term expires 1948
HENRY LACH	Term expires 1949

Cemetery Commission

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1947
JAMES E. McINTYRE	Term expires 1948
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1949

Library Trustees

EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1947
BARBARA L. WHEELER	Term expires 1947
IRVING P. SHERMAN	Term expires 1948
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1948
ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1949
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1949

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE	HARRY B. LANDEN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	HENRY LACH
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1947
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1948
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1949

Jury List

ERNEST J. COLLETTE	SIMON H. BALDINA
ALBERT R. HASTINGS	STANLEY C. HICKS
ALBERT H. SMITH	LESLIE C. DEWEY
DAVID W. CHENEY	IRVING J. PRATT
FREDERICK L. WORBY	

Appointive Town Officers 1946

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK (resigned)
GEORGE B. SHERMAN

Chief of Fire Dept. and Forest Warden

HARRY B. LANDEN

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. IRVING P. SHERMAN (resigned)

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Measurer Wood and Bark**J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE****Fence Viewers**

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
ALBERT S. FRYE

Field Drivers**J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE****CHESTER H. NORTON****RAYMOND D. CLARKE****Dog Officer****CHESTER H. NORTON****Town Counsel****ERNEST E. HOBSON****Finance Committee**

THOMAS W. HALEY	(Removed from town)
CARL L. STEARNS	Term expires 1947
E. STANLEY PARKER	Term expires 1947
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1948
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1948
HERMAN HAVEN	Term expires 1948
THOMAS L. MAGRATH	Term expires 1949
SAMUEL ORMSBEE	Term expires 1949
RAYMOND LEMMELIN	Term expires 1949

Town Clerk's Report

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

74	Resident Fishing
25	Resident Women's and Minor's Fishing
7	Non-Resident Fishing
1	Non-Resident Minor Fishing
4	Special Non-Resident Fishing
48	Resident Hunting
2	Non-Resident Hunting
51	Resident Sporting
12	Resident Sporting (Free)
5	Resident Military Sporting (Free)
2	Resident Trapping

DOGS LICENSED—1946

1	Military (Free)	
99	Male @ \$2.00	\$198.00
39	Female @ \$5.00	195.00
35	Spayed Female @ \$2.00	70.00
1	Kennel	25.00
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		\$488.00
Less Clerk's fees, 174 @ 20¢		34.80
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Balance paid Treasurer		\$453.20

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
January		
7	Sheiler Margaret Harrington	George L. and Elizabeth (Carswell)
April		
25	Wardwell Burtis Cox	William Burtis and Nancy (Edwards)
May		
9	Mildred Veronica Pederzani	August and Ina Marion (Heath)
11	Arthur John Bonneau, Jr.	Arthur J. and Mary (Michalczyk)
June		
20	Sandra Joan Vattes	William F. and Eleanor M. (Lamy)
July		
9	Lois Jean Lawrence	John Fred and Mary (Matusko)
28	Georgianna Ina Bryan	Howard E. and Irene J. (Wells)
August		
18	Eleanor Ann Thompson	Roy O. and Grace E. (Sherman)
31	Roland Ronald Joyal	Arthur and Ida (Boulenger)
September		
3	Ruth Emily Gilman	Arthur R. and Eleanor M. (Guild)
25	Roy Bruce McNamee	George B. and Dorothy A. (Larsen)
October		
15	Wayne Marshall Smith	Donald W. and Gloria (Norris)
16	Judith Lynn Hintz	Philip A. and Elizabeth J. (Rubsamen)
December		
7	William Joseph Rougier Rogers	Sidney and Parmelia (Lailiberte)
21	Francis Ulric Benoit	Ulric A. and Jeanne C. (Sirois)
26	Russell Leonard Brown	David and Barbara (Marcoullier)

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
26	John L. Michalec, Jr.		Freda B. Nichols	Brimfield
	Stafford Springs, Conn.			
29	William McClarnand, Jr.		Phyllis M. Rozelle	Springfield
	Clearwater, Fla.			
February				
11	Edward S. Syper	Palmer	Henrietta M. Kresco	Brimfield
16	Rudolph A. Harnois		Beatrice R. Langevin	Brimfield
	Springfield			
16	Henry A. Lavallee		Hazel L. Bennett	Brimfield
	Southbridge			
March				
2	Lewis McGillivray		Jane E. Wheeler	Springfield
	Springfield			
16	Walter F. Waite, Jr.		Elsie M. Boone	Brimfield
	Providence, R. I.			
April				
22	Anthony J. Skowyra		Eloise A. Paoletti	Orange
	Brimfield			
May				
11	Normand J. Biron	Fiskdale	Maude E. Booth	Brimfield
18	Maurice R. Poirier	Brimfield	Marie R. Carbonneau	Spencer
June				
8	Louis J. Boucher	Brookfield	Theresa F. Young	Brimfield
July				
20	Vaughan Milton Latham		Eleanor R. Earthrowl	Brimfield
	Worcester			
October				
12	Arthur R. Syriaque		Hazel M. Violette	Brimfield
	Woodstock, Conn.			
14	Henry L. Pelletier	Brimfield	Theresa Paolucci	Brookfield
16	Carlton E. Dagenais		Cora Ann Pepe	Springfield
	Springfield			
November				
16	Vernon W. Phipps	Brimfield	Marie L. Gregoire	Wales
23	Thomas W. Haley, Jr.		Anne F. Skowyra	Brimfield
	Brimfield			

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
February				
26	Maud May Corey Fay	75	6	12
May				
15	Amy Orliva Ingerson	92	1	22
29	Boy Loux	Stillborn		
July				
9	Robert Leonard Stearns	19	2	6
14	Alexander Flancher (Fletcher)	76	—	—
September				
8	Gustav Martin Gunderson	64	8	22
26	Elizabeth Kirsch Langstein	73	4	28
October				
27	Edith L. (Laird) Parker	68	5	11
30	Lillie May Brown	79	2	8
November				
12	Henry Oldfield Durant	78	0	23
December				
4	Henrietta Stone Durant	74	10	17
16	Mary Drake McGreevy	67	—	—

BURIALS FROM OTHER PLACES

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
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April

18	Arthur Palmer of Millbury	88	9	24
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June

12	John F. Lyman of Stafford Springs	86	10	17
16	Clara Baxter Brown of Omaha, Neb.	73	2	23
26	Max Edwards, Jr. of Southbridge	—	8	4

October

23	William N. Hoyt of Ware	82	6	12
28	Anna Converse Faneuf of Springfield	62	1	20

December

2	Mosely Alberti of Worcester	69	—	1
11	Hattie B. Bouck of Warren	69	11	5

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1946	\$10,936.47	
Receipts during year	131,445.52	
		• <hr style="width: 20%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$142,381.99
Paid on treasury warrants	\$139,637.26	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1946	2,744.73	
		<hr style="width: 20%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$142,381.99

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Treasurer

I have verified the treasurer's cash balance by actual count of her cash on hand.

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Jan. 1, 1947

Town Accountant

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue — Taxes

Current Year	\$32,303.82
Previous Years	5,328.35
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,391.08
Income Tax	6,593.50
Corporation Tax	2,249.99
Reimb. loss of taxes (State)	474.01
Meals Tax	363.17
Classified Forest Land Tax 1945	167.42
Classified Forest Land Tax 1946	807.13
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	\$49,678.47

Grants and Gifts from State

Mass. School Fund	\$3,139.25
Union Superintendent	483.32
Vocational Education	140.36
High School Grant	2,154.25
Highway Fund	3,662.12
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	\$9,579.30
From County, Dog Fund	358.42
Sealer's Fees	15.36
Licenses:	
Liquor (\$800. 1945)	1,700.00
Other	84.50

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	4,496.63
Aid to Dependent Children	49.50
Rent of Town Hall	221.50

Highways

From State	14,100.34
Town Machinery	4,736.20

Charities

Old Age Assistance from State	\$3,847.01
O. A. A. from other towns	27.60
Soldiers' Relief from State	50.00
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	\$3,924.61

Schools

Tuition, town of Wales	\$1,467.50
Tuition of State Wards	4,417.31
Sale of material	40.90
H. F. A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00
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	\$7,925.71

Miscellaneous

Court Fines	\$51.05
Library Fines	12.55
Town of Wales, use of Fire Truck	80.00
Sale of Material	2.75
Reim. for Digging Graves	103.00
Reimb. for Foundations	117.67
Demands on Poll Taxes	5.25

Comp. Insurance added to Fund	395.14	
Premium adjustment	17.01	
	<hr/>	\$784.42

Interest

On Taxes	\$134.06	
Perpetual Care Funds	281.09	
Library Trust Funds	272.71	
Harriet Harding Fund	250.00	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	160.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,097.86

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in Anticipation of Revenue	\$15,000.00	
In Anticipation of Reim.	14,175.00	
	<hr/>	29,175.00

Agency and Trust

Dog Licenses for County	\$453.20	
Withholding Tax	2,897.65	
Fund for Perpetual Care	100.00	
License collected for State	2.00	
	<hr/>	3,452.85

Refunds	64.90
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Cash on hand beginning of year	10,936.47
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	\$142,381.99

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries	\$616.68
Clerk	100.00
Moderator	10.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	26.24
Association Dues	9.00
Dog Officer	32.28
Law Supplements	30.00
Filing Fees	12.00
Telephone	6.68
All Other	16.80
	<hr/> \$859.68
Balance	115.32
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Appropriation	\$975.00

Town Accountant

Salary	\$540.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	40.19
Typewriter Rental	30.00
Other	5.03
	<hr/> \$615.22
Balance	9.78
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	\$625.00

Treasurer

Salary	\$500.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	71.44

Surety Bond	28.50
Insurance	35.00
Deposit Box Rent	4.80
Telephone	6.15
Travel Expense	22.75

 \$668.64

Balance	31.36
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Appropriation	\$700.00
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Tax Collector

Salary	\$550.00
Surety Bond	38.25
Deputy's Bond	5.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	126.74
Telephone	3.77
Travel and Expense	23.35
Repairs to Adding Machine	2.75

 \$749.86

Balance	.14
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Appropriation	\$750.00
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Assessors

Salaries	\$600.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	114.92
Travel Expense	72.00
Clerical Assistance	145.00
Association Dues	6.00
Typewriter Rental	8.00
Telephone	4.10
New Typewriter	158.76
Registration Cards	37.59

 \$1,146.37

Balance	3.63
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Appropriation	\$1,150.00
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Town Clerk

Salary	\$200.00
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Recording Fees	33.00
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Printing, Postage, etc.	60.82
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Surety Bond	7.50
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Expense to meetings	18.60
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All other	5.06
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	\$324.98
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Balance	.02
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Appropriation	\$325.00
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Election and Registration

Registrars	\$20.50
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Election Officers	147.24
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Printing	66.14
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Street Lists	76.12
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Appropriation	\$310.00
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Certifying Notes

Certification	\$ 6.00
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Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$10.00
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Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
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Appropriation	100.00
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Town Hall

Salary, Janitor	\$432.00
Fuel	256.44
Light	56.35
Janitor's Supplies	35.58
Repairs	140.04
Stage Curtain	200.86
Stove	25.00
Fire Extinguisher	28.48
All other	5.11

 \$1,179.86

Balance	120.14
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Appropriation	\$1,300.00
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Total, General Government	\$5,960.61
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS and PROPERTY**Police**

Constables' Services	\$140.26
Flasher current	13.59

 \$153.85

Balance	6.15
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 \$160.00

Appropriation	\$150.00
From Reserve Fund	10.00

 \$160.00
Fire Department

Salary, Chief	\$ 50.00
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Oil permits	101.63
Insurance	25.77
Storage	165.00
Telephone	28.60
Gas and Oil	11.15
Repairs	167.76
Nozzles	50.09

Appropriation	\$600.00
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Forest Fire

Forest Fire Pay Rolls	\$338.60
Storage and Repairs	158.16
Insurance	25.77
Fire Permits	19.75

\$542.28

Balance	57.72
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Appropriation	\$600.00
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Fire Truck

Appropriation	\$650.00
Expended	650.00

Gypsy Moth Suppression

Labor	\$379.20
Transportation	35.50

\$414.70

Balance	10.30
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Appropriation	\$425.00
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Tree Warden

Salary and Wages	\$55.00
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Expense	5.00
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	\$60.00
Balance	3.50
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	\$63.50

Appropriation	\$50.00
From Reserve Fund	10.00
Refund	3.50
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	\$63.50

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	\$50.00
Transportation	8.00
Equipment	5.20
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	\$63.20
Balance	1.80
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Appropriation	\$65.00

Total, Protection Persons and Property	\$2,484.03
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Health

Slaughtering Inspections	\$180.50
Cattle Inspection	4.00
Labor	14.20
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	\$198.70
Balance	21.30
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	\$220.00

Appropriation	\$150.00
From Reserve Fund	70.00
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\$220.00

HIGHWAYS

Chapter 81

Labor	\$5,517.05	
Town Machinery	2,854.80	
Hired Machinery	3,029.53	
Materials	5,075.78	
Compensation Insurance	217.84	
		<hr/> \$16,695.00
State Allotment	\$14,175.00	
Town Appropriation	2,520.00	
		<hr/> \$16,695.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Labor	\$1,514.18	
Hired Equipment	2,178.30	
Town Machinery	575.05	
Materials	1,140.91	
Compensation Insurance	57.88	
		<hr/> \$5,466.32
Balance carried to 1947	4,533.68	
		<hr/> \$10,000.00
Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State Allotment	4,000.00	
County Allotment	4,000.00	
		<hr/> \$10,000.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$411.65
Town Machinery	172.30

Hired Equipment	143.13
Materials	757.34
Compensation Insurance	15.58
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	\$1,500.00

Town Appropriation	\$500.00
State Allotment	500.00
County Allotment	500.00
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	\$1,500.00

General Highway

Snow Removal

Labor	\$1,400.25
Machinery	1,198.63
Insurance and Other	49.69

Other

Labor	176.35
Lumber	268.99
Removing Trees	52.26
Other	64.98
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	\$3,211.15
Balance	288.85
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Appropriation	\$3,500.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	\$500.00
Expended	490.00
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Balance	\$ 10.00

Street Lighting

Worc. County Electric Co.	\$931.00
Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$935.00

Machinery Account

Labor	\$384.10
Gas and Oil	941.16
Rent	100.00
Comp. Insurance	4.39
Trucks Insurance	167.05
Storage, repairs, etc.	2,220.47
New Truck	3,200.00
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	\$7,017.17
Trans. to Fund	5.53
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Appropriation	\$7,022.70

Total, Highways	\$35,310.64
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Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board	\$150.00	
Postage, etc.	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 153.00
Cash Relief Granted	\$1,144.77	
Medical Care	193.01	
Relief by Other Towns	1,764.94	
	<hr/>	\$3,102.72
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		\$3,255.72

Balance		394.28
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		\$3,650.00
Appropriation	\$3,300.00	
From Reserve Fund	350.00	
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		\$3,650.00

Old Age Assistance

Funds Available from 1945	\$3,297.36	
Federal Grants 1946	4,351.78	
Town Appropriation	6,500.00	
Refund	72.85	
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	\$14,221.99	
Cash Grants	10,491.48	
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Balance in Federal Funds	\$3,730.51	

Old Age Assistance, Administrative

Balance Available from 1945	\$ 81.63	
Federal Grants 1946	145.92	
Town Appropriation	300.00	
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		\$527.55
Salaries and Services	\$369.00	
Other Expense	71.58	
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		440.58
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Balance in Federal Funds		\$ 86.97

And to Dependent Children

Balance Available from 1945	\$433.54
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Town Appropriation	200.00	
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		\$633.54
Cash Grants	\$629.59	
Balance	3.95	
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		\$633.54

Military Service Assessment

Appropriation	\$107.10
Expended	107.10

School Lunches

Appropriation	\$500.00
Expended	274.53
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Balance carried to 1947	\$225.47

Soldiers' Benefits

Cash Grants and Other	\$1,259.54
Balance	90.46
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Appropriation	\$1,350.00

Trade School Tuition

Tuition Paid: Southbridge	\$216.00
Springfield	79.12
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	\$295.12
Balance	4.88
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Appropriation	\$300.00

Schools

General Administration	\$1,996.49
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Teachers' Salaries	20,412.00
Text Books and Supplies	948.76
Janitor Service	1,800.00
Fuel and Light	1,934.66
Repairs	435.25
Health	275.00
Transportation	6,992.35
Janitor's Supplies	167.29
New Equipment	205.90
Graduation Exercises	10.00
All Other	25.90

\$35,203.60

Balance 70.40

Appropriation \$35,274.00

Library

Salary, Librarian	\$480.00
Janitor	180.00
Books	104.43
Periodicals	28.70
Fuel	224.36
Light	17.64
Janitor's Supplies	27.07
Care of Grounds	3.75
Insurance	28.00
Repairs	100.28
Fire Extinguisher	28.48
Postage, etc.	7.20

\$1,229.91

Balance 1.22

\$1,231.13

Appropriation \$600.00

Dog Fund	358.42	
Income from Funds	272.71	
	<hr/>	\$1,231.13

Common

Labor	\$213.79
Supplies	22.30
Repairs, etc.	10.38
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	\$246.47
Balance	3.53
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Appropriation	\$250.00

Memorial Day

Speaker	\$ 8.00
Music	13.98
Labor, etc.	18.52
Plants	59.50
Flags	50.00
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	\$150.00

Appropriation	\$125.00
Refund, Wales	25.00

\$150.00
Insurance, Property

Premiums Paid	\$271.48
Balance	78.52
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Appropriation	\$350.00

Compensation Insurance

Premium Paid	\$419.61
Bal. trans. to Fund	16.45
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Appropriation	\$436.06

Town Reports

Printing	\$259.20
Postage	11.64
Typing & Mailing	20.00

 \$290.84

Balance	9.16
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Appropriation	\$300.00
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Interest

On Temporary Loans	\$78.75
On Highway Loans	46.07
On Schoolhouse Bonds	420.00

 \$544.82

Balance	25.18
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Appropriation	\$570.00
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Cemetery

Labor	\$517.67
Supplies & Repairs	74.49

 \$592.16

Appropriation	\$550.00
From Reserve Fund	25.00

 575.00

Overdraft	\$17.16
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Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$15,000.00
Highway Loans	15,775.00

Schoolhouse Bond	2,000.00
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	\$32,775.00

Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$1,219.73
County Tax	1,658.51
Dog Licenses for County	453.20
Perpetual Care Funds	281.09
Perpetual Care Funds deposited	100.00
Harriet Harding Fund	250.00
Withholding Tax	2,897.65
Int. on Gov. Bonds deposited	190.00
License collected for State	2.00
Exp. from Edgar Brown Fund	136.46

Refunds:

Poll & Property Tax	13.55
M. V. Excise Tax	3.54
Cash on hand end of year	2,744.73
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	\$142,381.99

FRANK S. GIFFORD,

Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand December 31, 1946	\$2,744.73
Taxes, levy of 1946	4,722.62
Taxes, levy of 1945	9.61
Classified Forest Land Tax	206.95
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	146.71
Tax Titles	56.62
Tax Possessions	572.83
Accounts Receivable: School Dept.	690.00
Due from State, a/c Highways	7,570.77
Due from County a/c Highways	4,500.00
State Tax, Under-assessment	23.12
County Tax, Under-assessment	26.86
Overdraft, Cemetery account	17.16

Liabilities

Overlay, Levy of 1946	\$438.65
Overlay, Levy of 1945	9.61
Overlay Surplus	2,853.71
Revenue res. until collected:	
Classified Forest	
Land Tax	\$206.95
Motor Vehicle	
Excise Tax	146.71
Tax Title Revenue	629.45
Departmental Revenue	690.00
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Sale Real Estate Fund	1,673.11
Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	47.84
Machinery Fund	155.00
Comp. Insurance Fund	695.63
Account balances carried to 1947:	402.78
Fed. Grants O.A.A.	\$3,840.26
Fed. Grants A.D.C.	75.60
Edgar Brown	
Playgr. Fund	203.43
School Lunches	225.47
Power Lawn Mower	350.00
Chap. 90 Construction	4,533.68
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Surplus Revenue	9,228.44
	5,783.21

\$21,287.98

\$21,287.98

Tax Collector's Report

1946

Commitment as per warrants		\$38,556.31
Abatement, refunded		13.55
		<hr/> \$38,569.86
Cash to treasurer	\$33,122.43	
Abatements	518.24	
To Tax Title	11.10	
	<hr/> 33,651.77	
Less interest coll.	11.48	
	<hr/> 33,640.29	
Outstanding December 31, 1946		<hr/> \$4,929.57

1945

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946		\$5,515.28
Cash to treasurer	\$5,614.02	
Abatements	1.65	
To Tax Title	8.25	
	<hr/> 5,623.92	
Less interest collected	122.25	
	<hr/> 5,501.67	
Outstanding December 31, 1946		<hr/> \$ 13.61

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1946

Commitment as per warrants		\$1,490.37
Abatement, refunded		3.54
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		\$1,493.91
Cash to treasurer	\$1,333.39	
Abatements	13.81	
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		1,347.20
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Outstanding December 31, 1946		\$ 146.71

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946		\$59.69
Cash to treasurer	\$57.69	
Abatement	2.00	
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		\$59.69

HERBERT A. FOGG,

Collector of Taxes.

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Memorial Day Committee acknowledges thanks to the American Legion Auxiliary for making wreaths for decorating the town monuments; also for the generosity of Arthur Wood, proprietor of Wood's Store in donating ice cream for the school children and members of the school band who participated in the day's observance.

Appreciation is also expressed for the cooperation of the teachers and pupils of the schools for providing a suitable program for the occasion.

PERCY MOORE

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

EDWARD MARRIOTT

RAYMOND LEMMELIN

RUTH FISKE

LOUISA PHIPPS

GLADYS L. WEBBER

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

Like every one else we have been up against a shortage of labor and faced an advance in wage rates. We over ran our appropriation \$42.16.

We have had fourteen burials and much foundation work, for which we were reimbursed and the proceeds turned over to the Town Treasurer to the amount of \$220.67 or about 40% of our appropriation.

At the West Brimfield Cemetery, the brush should be cut and removed between the Cemetery and the road.

Your Commissioners are asking for an appropriation of \$600.00 which they believe necessary to give the cemeteries proper care this coming year.

CHENEY F. NEWTON

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

JAMES E. McINTYRE

Cemetery Commissioners

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE
OF CEMETERY

Clark W. Hayward	\$205.64
George E. Hitchcock	222.20
Kenneth Howlett	13.43
Victor Howlett	5.60
Raymond Howlett	17.65
Philip Martin	4.90
Louis Martin	3.50
Percy Moore	25.65
Cheney Newton	1.40
Joseph Van Hook	1.40
W. H. Comee	1.50
E. J. Collette	5.60
Joseph Theberge	10.00
Brimfield Garage	37.88
C. W. Robinson	11.26
F. C. Taplin Co.	7.23
Hatch's Village Store	6.25
H. C. Maddocks	.25
Compensation Insurance	5.96
G. E. Hitchcock, Expense	4.86
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	\$592.06

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

Clark W. Hayward	\$142.45
G. E. Hitchcock	87.15
E. J. Collette	5.60
Ray Dionne	.63
Kenneth Howlett	11.20
Howard Norton	10.85
Percy Moore	7.50
Clement Violette	.75

Mark Newton	11.20
Compensation Insurance	3.76
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	\$281.09

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

Name of Fund	Amount	Balance
		Dec. 31, 1946
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	\$ 52.76
Jennie Agard	500.00	575.90
Stephen Agard	100.00	115.52
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	125.01
Charles S. Allen	100.00	102.81
George Allen	100.00	175.75
Elijah Allen	100.00	111.22
Massena B. Allen	100.00	103.38
George Bacon	100.00	137.17
Calvin Baker	100.00	107.11
Francis Bliss	200.00	252.11
Louis Blodgett	100.00	104.83
Francis H. Boardman	100.00	105.26
Sanford Booth	100.00	105.46
Asheal Bennett	500.00	543.95
Herbert Bradway	100.00	107.82
Charles O. Brown	100.00	111.89
Harriet Brown	100.00	137.79
Albert R. Brown	100.00	103.69
F. Edgar Brown	165.64	171.71
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	103.44
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	105.63
Arthur Brown	100.00	114.47
Dauphin Brown	100.00	103.96
Jonathan Brown	100.00	125.55
J. R. Brown	100.00	103.91
James Buxton	100.00	137.29
Darius & Abraham Charles	300.00	311.81
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	215.05

Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	226.08
Chamberlain & Dyer	200.00	211.69
Charles & Bacon	100.00	104.78
Alfred Converse	100.00	103.11
Marcus Converse	100.00	114.25
Frank H. Cook	100.00	115.92
Miner Corbin	100.00	105.89
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	137.85
Seth Dunham	100.00	125.26
Charles S. Davis	100.00	105.72
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,044.16
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	104.85
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	122.58
Frederick M. Fenton	200.00	206.75
Ferry & Robinson	100.00	132.29
Ferry & Dix	50.00	53.28
John Foster	100.00	156.29
Etta Fiske	100.00	126.14
Marshall W. French	200.00	234.07
George A. Furness	75.00	78.86
Nathan Goodell	52.00	53.53
William H. Green	200.00	203.66
Lyman Griggs	100.00	104.90
Thomas Harwood	100.00	104.32
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	128.56
David Hitchcock	100.00	123.39
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	78.18
Orson Holdridge	50.00	52.91
Linus Homer	100.00	175.85
George Homer	50.00	52.13
Newton S. Hubbard	100.00	114.74
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	279.22
Albion Janes	100.00	122.40
Edwin Janes	100.00	120.87
David W. Janes	200.00	219.80
H. E. & C. R. Janes	100.00	104.50
Austin Jennison	50.00	52.56

Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	117.86
Asa Lawrence	50.00	52.72
James & Asa Lincoln	500.00	632.59
F. A. Lombard	100.00	103.38
Charles E. Lombard	100.00	120.60
Charles O. Lumbard	100.00	122.71
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	163.29
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	120.96
Nathan G. Lyman	75.00	78.40
Edward P. Marriott	100.00	104.07
Charles H. Moore	100.00	106.03
Joseph Marcy	75.00	78.96
Jason Morse	100.00	140.45
Albigence Newell	100.00	111.37
Abner Nichols	100.00	108.81
Emily Noyes	100.00	123.67
John Noyes	100.00	105.04
Cheney Newton	100.00	118.30
Arthur Palmer	100.00	105.65
Fred & Orra Parker	100.00	105.34
Melissa Parker	200.00	305.54
Porter Parker	200.00	246.69
Sumner Parker	100.00	105.57
Etta Pierce	100.00	152.65
Pierce & Dunsmore	200.00	211.06
Albert W. Pierson	100.00	103.44
Norman Powers	75.00	78.37
George Puffer	100.00	108.40
Augusta Rice	100.00	120.87
F. H. Robertson	75.00	77.35
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	229.41
E. T. Sherman	200.00	210.54
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	124.43
John Sherman	100.00	103.92
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	105.24
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	161.64
Everts Tarbell	200.00	245.30

John Tunison	100.00	113.38
Joseph Vaill	100.00	114.53
Charles C. Warren	100.00	119.55
Lily J. Warren	200.00	234.56
Fred M. Webber	100.00	120.11
Jane Webber	100.00	102.09
Jonathan Webber	100.00	131.85
Lilla & Charles Webber	100.00	106.37
Mary Wheeler	50.00	53.87
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	671.99
Wight & Foskett	100.00	114.39
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	104.60
Thomas Williams	200.00	219.99
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	104.32
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	\$15,717.64	\$18,095.81

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$1,271.83
D. H. Wells, Jr.	843.00
Stanley Adams	882.22
Ralph Stanton	581.45
P. J. McIntyre	475.75
Milton Sherman	262.60
John Sherman	275.20
Alonzo Carpenter	335.80
Munroe Tarbell	39.00
Robert Cutler	6.00
Orville Pratt	42.30
James Hoyt	4.00
Harold Hitchcock	136.00
Joseph Messier	5.60
Victor Howlett	7.50
Frederic Worby	26.60
Ernest Collette	39.75
William Hicks	14.70
William Bliss	5.60
Otto Anderson	33.95
Joseph Bracci	9.10
James N. Wesson	219.10
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	\$5,517.05

MATERIALS

The Barrett Co.	\$2,245.76
Koppers Co.	1,116.32

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	813.06
American Tar Co.	146.33
Duff Bros. Inc.	30.00
G. B. Sherman	24.50
Com'lth of Mass.	3.65
E. D. Davis	.75
State Prison Colony	25.69
Potter Shoes	19.90
Hatch's Village Store	63.79
C. W. Robinson	6.40
Chas. E. Robbins	12.00
James Hoyt	11.48
B. E. Campbell	4.80
S. C. Hicks, Gravel	91.05
Louis Gagliardi, Gravel	24.90
Otto Anderson, Gravel	100.50
Cyrus Ordway, Gravel	35.80
T. K. Lane, Gravel	177.00
Wallace Fountain, Gravel	120.00
Lewis Howlett, Gravel	1.60
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	\$5,075.78

HIRED MACHINERY

Edward Sheeran	\$190.13
C. E. Hulse	220.51
W. J. Paulin	226.13
W. L. Moulton	780.25
Arthur Jefferson	192.38
Joseph Bracci	100.13
Town of Brookfield	60.00
Town of Wales	10.00
W. L. Moulton	52.00
Harold Hitchcock	19.20
A. Kresco, Jr.	19.20
Arthur Jefferson	19.20

Joseph Moran	403.91	
William Bliss	192.38	
W. J. Poulin	7.20	
Ellsworth Bradway	264.38	
C. W. McDonald	150.75	
Edward Racicot	24.75	
Louis West	8.40	
A. D. Macumber	64.63	
Leo Venturini	24.00	
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	\$3,029.53	
Compensation Insurance	217.84	
Town Machinery	2,854.80	
	<hr/>	\$16,695.00
Town Appropriation	\$ 2,520.00	
State Allotment	14,175.00	
	<hr/>	\$16,695.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

CONSTRUCTION

LABOR

G. B. Sherman	\$381.55
Stanley Adams	264.50
Ralph Stanton	104.50
P. J. McIntyre	210.50
Ralph Moulton	78.75
Sydney Rogers	28.88
J. N. Wesson	8.00
James Hoyt	7.00
John Sherman	205.50
D. H. Wells, Jr.	89.00
Munroe Tarbell	136.00
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	\$1,514.18

HIRED MACHINERY

W. L. Moulton	\$1,018.20	
Arthur Jefferson	249.60	
Joseph Moran	248.40	
Ellsworth Bradway	289.20	
Harold Hitchcock	246.90	
A. Kresco, Jr.	116.40	
W. J. Poulin	9.60	
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	\$2,178.30	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	644.91	
State Prison Colony	200.00	
Otto Anderson, Gravel	296.00	
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	1,140.91	
Compensation Insurance	57.88	
Town Machinery	575.05	
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		\$5,466.32
Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State Allotment	4,000.00	
County Allotment	4,000.00	
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	\$10,000.00	
Unexpended Balance		4,533.68
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		\$10,000.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

MAINTENANCE

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$91.70
D. H. Wells, Jr.	39.80

Stanley Adams	57.00
Jas. N. Wesson	9.80
Ralph Stanton	53.30
Milton Sherman	9.80
John Sherman	53.60
Munroe Tarbell	21.75
Alonzo Carpenter	43.50
P. J. McIntyre	30.00
Frederick Worby	1.40

\$411.65

The Barrett Division	\$757.34
Ellsworth Bradway	45.00
C. W. McDonald	18.00
A. D. Macumber	48.13
Charles Heck	32.00
Compensation Insurance	15.58
Town Machinery	172.30

\$1,500.00

Town Appropriation	\$500.00
County Allotment	500.00
State Allotment	500.00

\$1,500.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL

HIGHWAY

Geo. B. Sherman	\$199.35
Harold Hitchcock	257.00
Orville Pratt	130.05
Herman Horton	127.50
Arthur Dion	4.20
Victor Howlett	93.75

Leslie Dewey	77.25	
Milton Sherman	107.10	
D. H. Wells, Jr.	164.95	
Ernest Collette	42.75	
James Adams	22.50	
Clark Hayward	14.70	
Robert Cutler	2.10	
Norman Wesson	3.50	
Munroe Tarbell	9.75	
John Sherman	32.80	
Ralph Moulton	12.00	
Robt. MacConnell, Jr.	11.90	
Mark Newton	4.20	
Percy Moore	2.10	
Daniel Wells	2.10	
J. R. McLaughlin	3.50	
Louis Brown	12.60	
P. J. McIntyre	70.80	
Ralph Stanton	56.25	
Stanley Adams	153.65	
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Total Labor		\$1,618.35
W. L. Moulton	\$48.00	
Arthur Jefferson	19.20	
John Moran	19.20	
Ellsworth Bradway	19.20	
Harold Hitchcock	19.20	
Town of Sturbridge	20.00	
Comm'lth of Mass.	33.83	
Chas. F. Pierce, Lumber	108.99	
James Hoyt, Lumber	160.00	
Otto Anderson, Gravel	17.00	
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		464.62
Compensation Insurance		40.28

Town Machinery	1,087.90
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	\$3,211.15
Unexpended Balance	288.85
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Appropriation	\$3,500.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN MACHINERY

Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	\$941.16
Empire Steel & Tool Co.	112.94
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	203.13
Palmer Auto Body	5.00
Jas. B. Yelle	28.00
Christie & Thomson, Inc.	29.35
Palmer Welding Service	9.00
Valley Garage	159.61
Bousquet's	7.25
E. F. Edson Co.	14.13
Lindell's Motor Express	1.80
Charles E. Robbins	8.00
West Side Motor Exp.	.72
War Assets Corp.	32.76
Wm. D. Spooner	167.05
Brimfield Garage	903.90
Walsh Holyoke Boiler Works	111.91
Harold Hitchcock	24.58
Roy Pontiac Co.	29.10
Warren Campbell	110.00
Faulkner Hardware Co.	3.10
Ferrara Spring Co.	23.52
Brighton Steel Co.	4.97
Clark-Wilcox Co.	55.94
B. E. Campbell	22.77
Jaeger Ignition Co.	3.00

International Harvester Co.	315.99
Mary Piazzo	83.30
Hitchcock Academy	16.70
Harold Hitchcock	141.00
Orville Pratt	58.65
D. H. Wells, Jr.	67.55
Leslie Dewey	1.50
Milton Sherman	11.20
Victor Howlett	2.25
Herman Horton	4.50
Ernest Collette	.75
Geo. B. Sherman	36.60
Stanley Adams	34.00
P. J. McIntyre	6.30
Munroe Tarbell	6.00
Joseph VanHook	5.00
John Sherman	8.80
Compensation Insurance	4.39

\$3,817.17

Zabek Motor Sales (New Truck)	3,200.00
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\$7,017.17

Report of The Board of Public Welfare

DECEMBER 31, 1946

During 1946 three General Relief cases and one Aid to Dependent Children case have been aided to the extent of \$1,967.37. Of these one will be reimbursed by the State, one by another town. The cost to Brimfield is \$901.66.

In addition to the above, four Brimfield cases in other towns have been aided at a cost to Brimfield of \$1,764.94. This item made such inroads on our Budget that it was necessary to ask for an additional appropriation during the year.

Of the \$3,732.31 paid from the Welfare fund, the cost to Brimfield was \$2,666.60.

On December 31, 1946 there are three active Relief cases, one Aid to Dependent Children case, and one case in another town is continuing.

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN, Chairman

JAS. A. G. HOYT

EVELYN B. LANDEN, Clerk

Report of

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

DECEMBER 31, 1946

	Cases	Deceased	Discontinued	Continuing
Brimfield	18	2	2	14
Other Town	1			1
State	3	1		2
TOTALS	22	3	2	17

Total aid granted the above 22 cases amounted to \$9,878.06.

In addition to the above there were three Brimfield cases in other towns aided at a cost to Brimfield of \$589.57. These three cases are continuing.

During the year four applications for Old Age Assistance were received by the Board. One was withdrawn by the applicant. Of the three investigated, two were approved, one rejected.

In accordance with State requirements, at least two regular visits were made to all of the recipients, additional visits being made as necessary. All Budgets have been reviewed and adjusted twice during the year

to conform to the State Standard Budget which was revised in May and again in October to meet the increased costs of living.

One audit by the Federal and two audits by State Auditors have been made.

JAS. A. G. HOYT, Chairman

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

EVELYN B. LANDEN, Clerk

Report of

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1946.

	Adjusted	Sealed
Platform Scales	1	6
Beam Scales		1
Spring Scales	4	9
Computing Scales		3
Avoirdupois Weights		14
Liquid Measures		7
Oil Jars		1
Gasoline Meters	7	20

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Sealer

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

During 1946, the department responded to 28 calls. There were no house fires in Brimfield during the year, but we assisted Wales twice, being reimbursed for use of the apparatus.

The remaining calls were for 17 forest fires, 6 chimney fires and 2 trucks afire on the highway.

The department appreciates the co-operation of the townspeople in calling 222, the fire and emergency telephone.

One blast on the siren is for forest fire; two blasts for house fires and by arrangement with the school committee, three blasts are sounded at 7:30 A. M. as a no-school signal.

H. B. LANDEN

Fire Chief

Report of Assessors

Town appropriations raised	
by taxation	\$67,899.00
Appropriated from available funds	4,458.76
Deficit in overlay of previous year	30.93
Maturing Debt	2,000.00
State Tax	850.00
State Parks	38.53
State Audit	308.08
County Tax	1,597.98
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	84.73
Overlay of current year	951.34
	<hr/> \$78,168.29
Available funds and estimated receipts	40,699.61
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$37,468.68
315 Polls @ \$2.00	630.00
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Tax assessed on Property	\$36,838.68
Valuation of Personal Property	\$185,010.00
Valuation of Real Estate	810,630.00
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Total valuation	\$995,640.00
Tax Rate—\$37.00.	
Excise Tax assessed on Motor Vehicles	\$1,125.00

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
JOHN M. HALEY
JOHN P. MOORE

Assessors

Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met September 9, 1946 and organized with Thomas Magrath Chairman, Raymond Lemmelin, Vice-Chairman and E. Stanley Parker, Clerk.

At this meeting the following sums were voted transferred from the Reserve Fund: \$350 for Charity, \$30 for Health and \$10 for Tree Warden.

A meeting was held October 16 at which the articles in the warrant for the special town meeting October 21, were considered.

E. STANLEY PARKER

Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

This past year we have covered all the roads and have done some field work. The work was stopped early in the fall of 1945 on account of snow. We went out in March last year and finished up the 1945 work, going out again last November.

We found and destroyed in 1945, 13,435 Gypsy moth masses and in 1946 9,256.

PERCY N. MOORE, Supt.

Jan. 1, 1947.

BUDGET FOR 1947

	Expended 1946	Recom. für 1947	Fin. Com. Recom.
Selectmen	\$859.68	\$1,275.00	\$1,275.00
Accountant	615.22	625.00	625.00
Treasurer	668.64	700.00	700.00
Collector	749.86	750.00	750.00
Assessors	1,146.37	1,000.00	1,000.00
Certifying Notes	6.00	10.00	10.00
Town Clerk	324.98	325.00	325.00
Election and Registration	310.00	150.00	150.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Town Hall	1,179.86	1,300.00	1,300.00
Police	153.85	150.00	150.00
Fire Department	600.00	600.00	600.00
Forest Fire	542.28	500.00	500.00
Sealer	63.20	65.00	65.00
Moth Suppression	414.70	375.00	375.00
Tree Warden	60.00	75.00	75.00
Reserve Fund		500.00	500.00
Health	198.70	300.00	150.00

Highways, Chapter 81	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,520.00
Chapter 90, Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	500.00	600.00	600.00
General Highway	3,211.15	3,500.00	3,500.00
Street Lighting	931.00	935.00	935.00
Charity	3,255.72	3,400.00	3,400.00
Old Age Assistance	6,500.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	300.00	300.00	300.00
Aid to Dependent Children	200.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Schools	35,203.60	39,995.00	39,995.00
Trade School Tuition	295.12	400.00	400.00
Library	600.00	600.00	700.00
Soldiers' Benefits	1,259.54	800.00	800.00
Common	246.47	250.00	250.00
Memorial Day	125.00	125.00	125.00
Insurance, Town Property	271.48	125.00	125.00
Town Reports	290.84	310.00	310.00
Cemetery	592.16	600.00	600.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	124.82	150.00	150.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	420.00	380.00	380.00
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	\$66,829.14	\$73,890.00	\$73,740.00

Librarian's Report

In giving the report of the Library for 1946, I find the circulation has not been as large. The cost of books has gone up and we have not been able to buy as many. Several books and magazines have been donated and are much appreciated.

Miss Helen Holley has given two pieces of Pottery, one a pitcher, and the other a large crock, supposed to have been made in Brimfield, near or back of the home now owned by Miss Gladys Webber. It has been placed in the cupboard now holding some very rare pieces.

The Library has also received four sermons by Rev. Clark Brown minister of Brimfield church about 1797.

Visitors are always welcome.

List of books bought in 1946 follows.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNSMORE,

Librarian

FICTION

Bassett, Sara Ware	The Beacon
Bromfield, Louis	Pleasant Valley
Carr, John Dickson	He Who Whispers
Castle, Marian	Deborah
Cadwell, Taylor	This Side of Innocence
Cronin, A. J.	The Green Years
Davenport, Gwen	Return Engagement
Fast, Howard	The American
Halleran, E. E.	Shadows of the Badlands
Langley, Adria Lock	A Lion in the Street
Marshall, Bruce	Yellow Tapers of Paris
Newton, D. B.	Guns of the Rimrock
Partridge, Bellamy	January Thaw
Reade, Charles	A Woman Hater
Sharp, Margery	Britannia News
Schmitt, Gladys	David the King
Street, James	The Gauntlet
Weston, Christine	Dark Wood
Waugh, Evelyn	Brideshead Revisited
Wylie, J. A. R.	Ho the Fair Winds

NON-FICTION

Booker, Edna Lee	Flight from China
Burgess, Perry	Who Walks Alone
Dietz, David	Atomic Energy in the Coming Era
Franklin Delano Roosevelt	A Memorial
Field, Carter	Bernard Baruch
Gould, R. E.	Yankee Storekeeper
Gould, John	Farmer Takes a Wife
Kravchenko, Victor	I Chose Freedom
Liebman, Joshua	Peace of Mind
MacDonald, Betty	The Egg and I
McKeogh, Michael	Sgt. Mickey and General Ike

McNaughton	This Man Truman
Pennsylvania R R. Co.	
One Hundred Years of Transportation Progress	
Pyle, Ernie	Last Chapter
Reves, Emery	Anatomy of Peace
Seagrave, Gordon M. D.	Burma Surgeon Returns
Singer, Kurt	Spies and Traitors of World War II

JUVENILE

Anderson, C. W.	Heads Up, Heels Down
Buck, Frank	Jungle Animals
Clark, Marjory	Poppy Seed Cakes
Coffman, R. P.	Famous Pioneers
Emerson, Caroline	Mr. Nip and Mr. Tuck in the Air
Farlay, Watter	The Black Stallion Returns
Hurd,	Jerry the Jeep
Lofting, Hugh	Doctor Doolittle
Pease, Josephine	This is the World
Spyris,	Heidi's Children

1946 Report
of the
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO
AGRICULTURE AND THE
HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
LEAGUE
BRIMFIELD, MASS.

AGRICULTURAL WORK

During the year the services of the County Agents were available to all farmers in the town. Information has been distributed at county-wide and twilight meetings, also an orchard tour. These meetings were supplemented by circular letters, telephone, published articles, as well as individual visits covering livestock and crop production. Upon request, farmers were assisted in all problems of general farm management.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 51 women attended 15 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 10 local leaders assisted by the County and State Extension Agents. There were 6 different projects undertaken during the year; Three Square Meals, Food Preservation, Money Management, Make A Coat, Make A Dress, and Making of Curtains. The following local leaders assisted the county and state agents in conducting the above projects: Mrs. Roland C. Phipps, Mrs. Raymond P. Lemmelin, Mrs. Alphonse St. Pierre, Mrs. Rose Nichols, Mrs. Virginia Lucier, and Mrs. Richard Lucier. The following incurred expenses

amounting to \$27.66: Mrs. Roland C. Phipps, Mrs. Raymond P. Lemmelin, and Mrs. Rose Nichols.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 5 young people enrolled in 4-H Club Work from the town. There were 2 different projects undertaken during the year; Garden and Home Furnishing. There were no organized clubs in Brimfield this year and no 4-H Club Leaders. All five of the club members worked as individuals. Margery Havens was enrolled in the Room Improvement project. At State Girls' Day at the State College, Margery represented Hampden County in the Room Improvement Contest.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1946 Appropriation	—
Balance carried over from 1945	\$60.98
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	\$60.98
Expended in 1946	27.66
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Balance available for 1947	\$33.32

Appropriation recommended for 1947	\$25.00
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NOTE: The town appropriation is deposited with the County Treasurer and held to the credit of the town for reimbursing local town leaders for their necessary expenses in conducting such work as may be assigned them.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID
TO AGRICULTURE

LBB:cd

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

Report of the Old Center Schoolbuilding Committee

The Committee held several meetings during the year to see what could be done to make the schoolhouse into a Legion home. We decided that the only way to come to a complete understanding was to secure a set of plans and specifications with all the details of the changes in the building that the Legion desired.

Mr. Powers of the Mass. Department of Public Safety was called in to see what would be required in the way of exits, fire doors, ventilation, etc. Plans were then drawn up and have been approved by that Department. We sent these plans to a competent firm of engineers for an estimate of the entire cost of remodelling, which we submit to you herewith.

RECAPITULATION

General conditions	\$1,005.00
Ordinary Payroll	1,938.00
Allowances	(none)
Material	3,553.00
Sub-contracts, painting, general carpenter and mill work	3,867.00

Sub-contracts, plumbing, wiring and heating	3,845.00
Estimated net cost	<hr/> \$14,208.00
Profit	1,421.00
Total estimated cost	<hr/> \$15,629.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN F. FENTON

CHENEY F. NEWTON

JOSEPH LAFLAMME

STANLEY C. HICKS

EDWARD P. MARRIOTT

RICHARD J. BROWN

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

WILLIAM G. HAVERLY

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—1946

Member	Term expires
CLARK W. HAYWARD, Chairman	1947
BEATRICE H. MacCONNELL, Secretary	1948
HENRY LACH	1949

Superintendent of Schools

HAROLD M. LADD

Office Hours

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 a. m. to 12 m. — 1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.
when school is in session

At the high or elementary school by appointment.
Telephone Monson 67-2 (office) or Brimfield 344 (residence).

Secretary to the Superintendent

HELYNN S. HALEY

Office Telephone—Monson 67-2

Residence—Monson 67-3

Office Hours

8:30 a. m. to 12:00 m. — 1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.
when school is in session

School Physician HARRY A. ROSENBLUM, M.D.

School Nurse LUELLA I. YOUNG, R.N.

Supervisor of Attendance EDWARD SHEERAN

Hours of School Sessions

High School: 8:45 to 12:04 — 12:45 to 3:00

Elementary: 8:45 to 12:00 — 12:55 to 2:55

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL — Three long blasts at
7:30 a.m.

Beatrice H. MacConnell will have charge of notifying the townspeople when there will be no session of school.

Entering Age of Children

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1946-1947

- October 18 Schools close for Hampden County Teachers' Association convention.
- November 11 Schools close for Armistice day.
- November 27 Schools close at 12:30 p. m. for Thanksgiving recess, reopening December 2.
- December 20 Schools close for Christmas vacation after regular sessions on this day, reopening January 2, 1947.
- February 21 Schools close for midwinter vacation after regular sessions on this day, reopening March 3.
- April 4 Schools close for Good Friday.
- April 25 Schools close for Spring vacation after regular sessions on this day, reopening May 5.
- May 30 Schools close for Memorial day vacation.
- June 20 High school closes for Summer vacation.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my fifth report as superintendent of schools. This report includes the reports of the school physician, school nurse, music supervisor and statistical tables relating to the operation of the schools.

STAFF

The school department was most fortunate last year in that only one teacher, Mary T. Paier, resigned to accept a position in another system. Mrs. Harry Wells was appointed to grades III, IV. A statement of training and experience of all teachers will be found in Appendix D.

PLANT

The usual program of maintenance has been carried out during the past year and in addition, the stage and laboratory at the high school have been redecorated. Some projects that were scheduled for this year have been abandoned because of lack of materials.

Certain provisions in the will the late F. Edgar Brown, have made it possible to purchase six swings and six teeter boards for the playground at the elementary school. The manual training department at the high school cooperated in assembling this equipment.

EDUCATION AND PEACE

Our national experience of the past few years has brought out in bold relief, the value of an education. Schools exist to train citizens how to live in a complex society. Worthy citizenship is a responsibility that cannot be discounted and much valuable training is not found in textbooks.

We can think of a model school as a combination of life situations in miniature. Pupils entering the first grade have to make adjustments, weigh values and learn how to get along with others. Possibly the modern school shows the greatest contrast in its organization in the matter of human relationships. Basic skills are still present but there has been a change of emphasis to allow for personality development. Pupil participation in classroom activities that develop leadership are of first importance. They must succeed in handling extra-curricular activities as well as subject matter; failure doubles the cost of education and cuts morale in two.

Much has been written about the implications of atomic energy and the possible results. This much is evident: we must practice tolerance and cultivate attitudes that will enable us to think clearly. The United Nations Organization hopes to achieve the same objectives that are present in every well organized school. Whether it be individuals, groups, or countries, they must reciprocate and cooperate if they hope to succeed.

The advent of peace has produced many problems and not the least of these has to do with education. The G. I. Bill of Rights provides a college education for all who will avail themselves of the opportunity. We owe much to returned veterans but it happens that by giving priority to the veteran, we have created a generation of

regular high school graduates who are practically deprived of all opportunities for continuing their education. Emergency college centers have been established at former army training centers and they provide a solution for part of the problem. The fact remains that New England colleges are filled with men from all parts of the country and our boys and girls who graduate this year are practically eliminated in so far as a college education is concerned. This situation becomes acute when they enter a vocation and have to compete with those who have had the advantage of a college education.

Many western states have added grades XIII, XIV, at public expense, and the idea is growing rapidly. At present there are four communities in Massachusetts that offer this program and the total enrollment is over five hundred. It will take time for this work to be perfected to the point of certification by established colleges, but, the idea is sound.

Education cultivates the knowledge and attitudes that produce both peace and war. Proper educational policies will foster an intelligent desire for peace with an understanding of the conditions necessary for maintaining it. Our teachers must be charged with the duty of providing the kind of guidance that will enable this plan to function but the program will fail unless teachers in all countries are willing to accept the same responsibility.

HEALTH

A school health program involves more than the annual physical examination by a school physician. The art of healthful living must be taught every day. It is not enough that teachers should make a practice of getting out onto the playground and supervise play activ-

ities; that is only one phase of the problem. Desirable health standards should be established that can be worked out through the cooperation of the home and school. Parents receive a report from the school physician regarding any physical defects that are observed at the time of examination and corrective measures should be taken immediately because delay may be costly.

SAFETY

The schools are striving to make pupils safety conscious. Through the cooperation of the Springfield Safety Council, the schools receive the magazine "Safety Education", safety posters and quiz materials.

Some accidents are unavoidable but much bodily injury could be avoided if people would only learn to think. Insurance companies pay more claims for injuries received in the home than for any other classification. Safety education cannot perform miracles but it can help.

FINANCES

The purchasing power of the dollar is on the decline and many materials are not obtainable. Schools must operate and they require materials and supplies to properly function. The Massachusetts Legislature has appointed a Recess Commission to study a possible amendment or revision of Chapter 70, of the General Laws, which determines the amount of reimbursement to smaller communities. This law was established about twenty-six years ago and at that time the factors were adequate. School appropriations have more than doubled during this period but the factors have remained the same and in many cases there is no reimbursement that can be called commensurate with the size of the budget.

An increase in the amount of state funds turned back to the towns would relieve the strain on local tax programs and maintain higher standards in our schools. This Commission is holding hearings at the present time so no recommendations have been made but it is hoped that some equitable formula can be evolved that will be acceptable.

When your children enter school you expect them to have ample facilities for housing as well as suitable materials and the best instruction. Conditions at the elementary school are decidedly crowded; five teachers handle the work of six grades and the size of the existing classrooms makes it necessary to establish two double grades.

There are no facilities for a school lunch program and no suitable place to build a kitchen. A sincere effort has been made during the past year to supplement the lunch that is brought from home with a hot dish and this has to be prepared at the high school. This arrangement has served as a temporary solution to the problem but it is entirely inadequate and limits the kind of hot dish that can be served.

Two rooms should be added to the elementary school; one for a classroom and one for a cafeteria.

The National Planning Committee on Education reports that if we are to have adequate post-war educational facilities, it will be necessary to more than double our expenditure for education and most of this increase will be due to higher salaries for teachers and supervisors. The laws which govern supply and demand will determine what kind of instruction is made available for our children. Poor instruction is costly at any price.

CONCLUSION

I wish to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, teachers, parents and town officials for their continued assistance and cooperation in maintaining creditable school facilities for our young people. Parents should make every effort to visit the school and discuss pupil progress with the teacher. Education Week is set aside every year to focus attention on the school system but every week is visiting week.

A good index of a progressive community is its interest and pride in its schools. May we continually strive to make our schools better.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

Appendix A

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I submit my fifth annual report as Principal of Brimfield High School.

School opened September 4, 1946 with 113 pupils in attendance. This is the largest enrollment in several years.

Modern education has come to realize the importance of guiding child development in the school through the appraisal of individual progress and the diagnosis of obstacles to academic and social growth. This important work is being undertaken this year by giving all pupils a test of ability, tests of achievement in basic subjects, personality-development tests, and for the boys, tests of mechanical ability. When this work is completed we will be able to compare the scores of our pupils with nation-wide standards. This information will be important to us in advising pupils about their choice of courses to study. We will be able to offer suggestions about a life work. Most important of all, the teachers will have objective information about the need for remedial teaching.

Plans have been made to add two subjects to the course of studies. We will have classes in drawing under the direction of Mrs. Peterson. This will fill a long-felt need. The other course will be in "Driver Education" for those who are getting ready for the operator's license. This work will be carried on with the help of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Brimfield High School is interested in developing well-rounded personalities; academically we have a desirable place and can certify our graduates directly to college. The school goes further than the development of the intellect, we share the responsibility with the home and other agencies of developing social and cultural values. We try to arrange satisfactory experiences for the pupils which will meet these needs. Our Student Council serves as an example of democratic action and as training for future citizenship. Athletics are open to all as a means to develop good sportsmanship and health. The play contest gave over 50 pupils the valuable experience of appearing before the public. The Abraham Charles Prize Speaking Contest was also a valuable opportunity. Our 1946 graduation exercises were based on the general theme of tolerance which effectively demonstrated the outlook of the school in this respect.

It is not possible to list here all of our activities, but rest assured that the Brimfield teachers are devoting all their energy to doing all they can for all the children of Brimfield.

I wish to thank you, the Brimfield School Committee, and the teachers for willing cooperation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. BRUCE, Principal
Brimfield High School

REB:MG

Appendix B

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The yearly physical examinations were made by Dr. Harry Rosenblum of Fiskdale. The examinations were begun at the elementary school on September 17 and finished at the Hitchcock Academy on November 22. Five visits were made and all grades examined. Notices were sent to parents about the need of medical and dental care. The majority of such notices were for dental needs. Decaying teeth harbor many cold and other germs that threaten the child's health, even if there is no toothache to disturb their rest and ability to do school work. There were three cases of functional heart disturbance noticed.

The usual twenty days nursing service during the year were used to assist the school physician, weighing and measuring, vision and hearing tests were made and home visits, also. Twenty-one visits were made because of illness, to take children home who were ill at school, to get information about children who are to be examined at the State Psychiatric clinic and to consult with parents about the children's needs.

The hot school lunches have been very helpful and have created a desire for better lunches and the facilities for preparing and serving them. Plans are being made for a diphtheria immunization clinic early in the new year. It is hoped there will be 100% participation in this effort to control one of the most serious of infectious diseases.

Respectfully submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR

School Committee
Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as school physician for the year 1946.

I found it encouraging to examine the school children; they presented a well nourished and well developed group. However I do not mean that no anomalies were found in the course of these examinations. There were to be sure some defects which were recorded and reported by the school nurse to the parents for correction. I sincerely hope that every parent will attended to these corrections so that each child may have the benefit of good health now and a modicum of insurance for the future.

With an increasing incidence of diphtheria in surrounding communities I contacted our county health officer who advised me that an alarmingly small proportion of pre-school and school children had been inoculated. I therefore asked that a survey be made to determine the number of children immunized who would benefit from booster injections and those children who had received no immunization whatsoever. I understand that a series of clinics has been started; such a program is a forward step in maintaining good health for our pre-school and school children.

I wish to thank Mr. Ladd, Miss Young, the faculty and the school committee for helping me carry out the school program.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY A. ROSENBLUM, M. D.

Appendix C

Report of the MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

During 1946 the music department has tried to focus more attention on the instrumental program in the schools, and more pupils are receiving instruction than were a year ago. However there are not as many pupils studying band instruments as there should be.

The supply of used instruments is very limited, and it has been next to impossible to obtain instruments for pupils to rent for a trial period. Moreover, instrument manufacturers were unable to produce the number of instruments they wish which results in their making only expensive instruments such as those used by professionals. The less expensive or so-called "school line" instruments are not available and are not expected to be for at least another twelve months. For these reasons, a number of pupils are unable to take advantage of the free instrumental lessons given in school.

The band and orchestra have played at various school and community activities, and as has been the custom, the band played for the Memorial Day parades in Brimfield and Wales.

Last spring, the high school glee club participated in the Western Massachusetts Music Festival held at West Springfield.

A general music class has been added to the high school curriculum. The main purpose of this class is to give those pupils not in the glee club the opportunity for some group singing.

The vocal instruction in the grades has been carried on as usual with the singing of many rote songs and the necessary note reading. Grade V has shown the ability to sing two-part songs, and Grade VI is now singing both two and three-part songs.

The annual concert was given in May with the pupils of both the grammar and high schools participating.

In closing, I wish to express to you, Mr. Ladd, and to the principals and teachers my appreciation for the fine cooperation and assistance given me during 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

WENDELL B. PHILLIPS

Supervisor of Music

Appendix D
 Directory of School Staff
 December 31, 1945

Position	Name	Training	Institution Attended	Years Service in Brimfield	Total Years Service
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd	B.S. Ed.M.	University of N. H.	5	26
Secretary to the Superintendent	Helynn S. Haley	*	Bay Path Institute	10	11
High School					
Commercial	Margaret Garvey	A.B.	Our Lady of Elms	1	2
English	Eugenia P. Tarbell	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	12	15
Math., Science	Freda B. Stegner	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	15	23
Sci., Soc. Studies	Robert E. Bruce, Principal	B.S.	University of N. H.	5	18
Music	Wendell B. Phillips	Mus.B.	Boston University	3	5
Household Arts†	Morine P. Cheney	B.S.	Univ. of Tennessee	4	11
Manual Training‡	John Rainka	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	8	11

Elementary School

I	Edna Peterson	B.S.		1	12
II	Gladys Webber	Ed.M.	Boston University	7	32
III	Elizabeth W. Wells	*	Westfield Normal	0	15
IV-V	Helen D. Connors	B.S.	Westminster	1	1
VI	Ruth L. Fiske, Prin.	B.A.	Our Lady of Elms	2	4
VII	Mary Gaudette	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	2	27
VIII	Arlene L. Smith	—	—	1	1
Janitor	Edward Sheeran	B.A.	American International	4	4

* Diploma

‡ Part - Time

Appendix E—Table I
ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1946
, As of October 1

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16
Total in Town		
Boys	23	111
Girls	14	92
Total	37	203
In public school	25	196
In continuation school		
In vocational school		
In private school	2	5
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		
Not enrolled in any school	10	2
Total	37	203

Appendix E—Table II

Grade—Age Table

(As of October, 1946)

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Grade																
I	6	15	2	2												25
II		3	14	3	4											24
III			3	12	7											22
IV				4	9	4	1	1	1							20
V					2	15	6	1	1	2						27
VI						2	12	3								17
VII							3	14	1	3	2					23
VIII								1	10	3	4	1				19
IX									12	15	2	1				30
X										7	8		1			16
XI											6	5	2			13
XII												4	6		1	11
P.G.													2			2
Total	6	18	19	21	22	21	22	20	25	30	22	11	11		1	249

Appendix F

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS—1946

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$1,074.65	
Helynn S. Haley	419.08	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	109.27	
John Manter	25.00	
Wendell Phillips	40.00	
Edward Sheeran	58.60	
Beatrice MacConnell	75.00	
Henry Lach	75.00	
Clark Hayward	75.00	
Robert E. Bruce	7.80	
Makepeace Press	9.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,968.40

TEACHER'S SALARIES

Robert Bruce	\$2,620.00
Margaret Garvey	1,492.50
Freda Stegner	1,850.00
Eugenia Tarbell	1,850.00
Wendell Phillips	475.00
Morine Cheney	566.50
John Rainka	618.00
Arline Smith	1,500.00
Mary Gaudette	1,500.00
Ruth Fiske	1,557.00
Helen Connor	1,500.00
Mary Peterson	1,500.00
Gladys Webber	1,520.00
Elizabeth Wells	525.00
Mary Paier	996.00
Hazel Orcutt	204.00
Harriet Lombard	25.00

Grace Odneal	18.00	
Zylpha Allen	95.00	
	<hr/>	\$20,412.00

TEXTBOOKS

Scott, Foresman & Co.	\$15.69	
Macmillan Co.	48.60	
Benj. Samborn & Co.	2.64	
D. C. Heath & Co.	44.15	
Noble and Noble, Inc.	6.13	
Iroquois Pub. Co.	21.61	
Laidlaw Bros.	23.81	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	5.33	
Ginn & Co.	89.31	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	1.81	
Lyons & Carnahan	14.08	
So. Western Pub. Co.	14.78	
Chas. Scribner's Sons	8.64	
World Book Co.	22.29	
	<hr/>	\$318.87

SUPPLIES

Lewis E. Howlett	\$ 7.70	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	134.61	
Rice & Gadaire Co.	44.80	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	217.18	
H. B. Huntting Co.	4.11	
H. T. Janes	2.16	
G. C. Winters	1.25	
Morine Cheney	32.64	
Gledhill Bros.	10.22	
Mittag-Volger, Inc.	14.00	
Cambosco Sci. Co.	17.23	
	<hr/>	\$485.90

WAGES OF JANITOR

Edward E. Sheeran	\$1,800.00	
Clark Hayward	6.30	
Gordon Brown	12.50	
	<hr/>	\$1,818.80

FUEL

Harlow E. Jones	\$527.79	
Southbridge Coal Co.	785.25	
Palmer Coal Co.	185.00	
N. D. Fountain	10.00	
Hyatt Gas Co.	12.00	
Haley's Grain Co.	79.02	
	<hr/>	\$1,599.06

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Worc. Elec. Co.	\$347.60	
Faulkner Hardware Co.	8.67	
Hatch's Village Store	50.63	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	101.45	
G. A. Authier and Sons	3.00	
Waxine Co.	10.29	
Frank Bros. Paper Co.	50.16	
Crystol Lustre Co.	51.25	
	<hr/>	\$623.05

MAINTENANCE (Repairs)

E. W. Fisher	\$32.00	
Faulkner Hardware Co.	1.41	
George Vadnais Const. Co.	151.00	
Marcy Lumber Co.	1.75	
Spfld. Type. Exch. Co.	118.20	
F. W. Nightingale	34.20	
E. G. Hubert	15.80	
	<hr/>	\$354.36

HEALTH

Broughton Smithies	\$ 6.42	
Hampden County T. Ass'n.	200.00	
Harry A. Rosenblum, M. D.	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$281.42

TRANSPORTATION

Arthur Brown	\$2,500.00	
George Freeman	2,513.50	
William D. Spooner	1,394.50	
Sam Adams	353.75	
Donald Loux	214.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,975.75

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Com., Public Safety	\$ 5.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	14.96	
Palmer Register	10.00	
Town of Brimfield	44.69	
	<hr/>	\$74.65

NEW EQUIPMENT

Cambosco Sci. Co.	\$205.90
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SUMMARY

	Expenditures 1946	Estimates 1947
General expenses	\$1,968.40	\$2,025.00
Expenses of Instruction:		
Teachers salaries	20,412.00	24,290.00
Textbooks	400.00	535.00
Supplies	400.00	535.00
Expenses of Operating:		
Wages of janitor	1,800.00	2,000.00
Fuel	1,400.00	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	665.00	900.00

Maintenance (repairs)	600.00	200.00
Auxiliary Agencies:		
Libraries	25.00	115.00
Health	300.00	300.00
Transportation	7,020.00	7,020.00
Miscellaneous	75.00	75.00
New equipment	200.00	200.00
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	\$35,274.00	\$39,995.00
Total appropriation, 1946	\$35,274.00	
Total expenditures, 1946	35,203.60	
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Balance, 1946		\$70.40

Appendix G

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS

Total appropriation, 1946	\$35,274.00	
Unexpended balance, 1946	70.40	
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Expended appropriation, 1946		\$35,203.60

Receipts:

From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part I	\$2,675.00
General School Fund, Part II	3,139.25
High School Grant	1,090.00
On account of superintendent and travel	483.33
Tuition and transportation of State wards	4,417.31
Tuition on non-resident pupils	1,557.50
Income that must be expended for the support of schools	2,000.00

Total receipts	<hr/>	15,362.39
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NET COST OF SCHOOLS TO TOWN	<hr/>	\$19,841.21
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Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss.

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the third day of March, 1947 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare; one School Committee, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years.

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 P. M.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 5. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement, and purchase of town machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To elect one trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to quitclaim to Warren H. Campbell and Charlotte N. Campbell, without consideration, the premises in the center of the Town of Brimfield formerly known as the Town Pound, for the purpose of correcting and improving a deed previously given by the town to S. John Pentland, a former owner, dated December 24, 1918, and to confirm title in said Warren H. Campbell and Charlotte N. Campbell, the said premises being bounded and described as follows:—

Beginning on the easterly side of the Warren Road at the southwest corner of land formerly of the Christian Advent Society of Brimfield; thence Easterly on said last named land, thirty (30) feet, more or less; to a corner of land conveyed to Clara N. L. Moulton by Needham Moulton by deed dated December 9, 1895, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 538, Page 447; thence Southerly by last named land, three (3) rods and four (4) feet to a corner; thence Westerly on last named land, twenty-seven and one-half ($27\frac{1}{2}$) feet to said easterly side of the Warren Road; and thence Northerly on the Warren Road to the place of beginning.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allot-

ments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair, maintain and construct sidewalks in the town of Brimfield, or take any action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money to purchase a power lawn mower for use of cemetery and common, or take any action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of motor-

ized grass clipping equipment for use of common and cemetery, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase and installation of new equipment for the school lunch program.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17.16 to make up the overdraft in the Cemetery appropriation.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to repair and renovate the old Center School as a memorial to the town veterans of all Ware with the Chas. M. Streeter Post #263 as custodians and appropriate from available funds or raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase additional fire hose, or take any action thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid To Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, the Old Center Schoolhouse to be razed, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to sell to

the highest bidder, at public auction, the Old Center Schoolhouse together with the parcel of land on which it now stands.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this third day of February, 1947.

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

WILLIAM G. HAVERLY

Selectmen of Brimfield

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OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Brimfield



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1948

Town Officers — 1947

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

HERBERT A. FOGG

Selectmen

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

WILLIAM G. HAVERLY

Assessors

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Term expires 1948

JOHN P. MOORE

Term expires 1949

JOHN M. HALEY

Term expires 1950

School Committee

BEATRICE J. MacCONNELL

Term expires 1948

HENRY LACH

Term expires 1949

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Term expires 1950

Cemetery Commission

JAMES E. McINTYRE	(resigned)
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1948
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1949
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1950

Library Trustees

IRVING P. SHERMAN	Term expires 1948
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1948
JOHN G. MANTER	Term expires 1949
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1949
EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1950
BARBARA L. WHEELER	Term expires 1950

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE	HARRY B. LANDEN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	HENRY LACH
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1948
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1949
ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1950

Jury List

ERNEST J. COLLETTE	SIMON H. BALDINA
ALBERT R. HASTINGS*	STANLEY C. HICKS
ALBERT H. SMITH	LESLIE C. DEWEY
DAVID W. CHENEY	IRVING J. PRATT
FREDERICK L. WORBY	

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Appointive Town Officers 1947

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

GEORGE B. SHERMAN

Chief Fire Dept. and Forest Warden

HARRY B. LANDEN

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. JAMES F. BUSH

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Measurer Wood and Bark**J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE****Fence Viewers**

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
ALBERT S. FRYE

Field Drivers

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE
ROBERT PEASE
PHILIP STANGER

Dog Officer**CHESTER H. NORTON****Town Counsel****ERNEST E. HOBSON****Finance Committee**

ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1948
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1948
HERMAN HAVEN	Term expires 1948
THOMAS L. MAGRATH	Term expires 1949
SAMUEL ORMSBEE	Term expires 1949
RAYMOND LEMMELIN	Term expires 1949
FENTON R. HASTINGS	Term expires 1950
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1950
JOHN L. McLAUGHLIN	Term expires 1950

Town Clerk's Report

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

81 Resident Fishing
 45 Resident Women's and Minor's Fishing
 4 Special Non-Resident Fishing
 39 Resident Hunting
 3 Non-Resident Hunting
 61 Resident Sporting
 13 Resident Sporting (Free)
 1 Resident Trapping
 1 Duplicate

DOGS LICENSED—1947

1 Military (Free)		
121 Male @ \$2.00	\$242.00	
37 Female @ \$5.00	185.00	
48 Spayed Female @ \$2.00	96.00	
1 Kennel	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$548.00
Less Clerk's fees, 207 @ 20¢		41.40
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Balance paid Treasurer		\$506.60

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
January		
10	James Andrew Michalec	John and Freda Nichols
12	Glenn James McIntyre	James E. and Margaret Demijohn
24	Christine Ann Jensen	Albert R. and Dorothy Miller
February		
5	Nancy Myrannne Spooner	William D. and Juliane Lautenback
25	Leonard David McKinstry, 2nd	Leonard and Lorraine Vincent
March		
10	Norman Locke Howlett, Jr.	Norman and Alma Gouvin
19	Cora Mae Beals	Earle G. and Myrtle Snow
31	David Gene Cutler	Robert J. and Lillian Theberge
April		
16	Jane Elizabeth Metcalf	Robert H. and Shirley Smith
18	Joseph Ovide St. Pierre	Alphonse J. and Annette Fournier
May		
8	Lionel Joseph Gillette, Jr.	Lionel and Dorothy Kendall
17	Andrea Kay Gondek	Andrew and Kathryn McNamara
18	Richard Louis Boucher	Louis J. and Theresa Young
21	Kathleen Helen Martin	Louis E. and Marie Curran
June		
2	Ronald Archie Moreau	Arthur J. and Gertrude Hitchcock
14	Pamela June Allen	Frank R. and Marian Hollingshead
July		
6	Judith Lynn Johnston	Roger M. and Ruth Bridgewater
19	Lawrence Paul Stearns	Lawrence M. and Mary Fellion
20	Henry Louis Pelletier, Jr.	Henry L. and Theresa Polucci
23	Mary Rose Bonneau	Arthur J. and Mary Eichalczyk
26	William Joseph Lach	Henry and Margaret Killian

Date	Name	Parents
August		
5	Linda Jean Hanna	Edmund G. and Schrildea Dendy
9	Gardner Dow Tarbell 2nd	Gardner and Jeanette Lehman
12	Marilyn Joyce Phillips	Wendell and Doris Litchfield
14	Mary Elizabeth Thompson	Roy O. and Grace Sherman

October

8	Gary Edward Brown	Arthur E. and Lillian Howard
8	Walter Bernard Gerard	Walter and Sara Hall
10	Edward Harrison Clarke	Raymond D. and Alice Hamer
27	Linda Louise Tetrault	Ernest and Doris LeDuc

November

25	Barbara Jane Tibbetts	Herbert and Marie Gagliardi
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December

9	Dwight Bradley Fay	Raymond and Lillian Gulliver
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MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
10	John K. Kilpatrick	Spfld.	Mahala Hill	Spfld.
February				
3	Erving J. Chalue	Palmer	Roberta R. Herter	Spfld.
14	Lawrence M. Stearns	Brimfield	Mary E. Fellion	Spfld.
15	Walter A. Stred	Palmer	Shirley A. McLaughlin	Brimfield
20	William A. Fresh	Brimfield	Carol Jean Wigglesworth	Brimfield
April				
6	Norman L. Howlett	Brimfield	Alma E. Bigda	Brimfield
20	Stanley Korsak	Palmer	Mary Shiok	Brimfield

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
June				
7	Paul S. Ingraham	Brimfield	Eleanor M. Nicholson	Spfld.
14	Cleophas J. Cardieux, Jr.	Brimfield	Anita C. St. Pierre	Brimfield
14	John E. Hitchcock	Spfld.	Norma R. Hemphill	Palmer
15	Donald E. Thomas	South Bend, Indiana	Betty Jean Hatch	Brimfield
July				
3	Wendell C. Phillips	Palmer	Janet O. Smart	Palmer
19	Harold E. Norton	Brimfield	Wanda H. Holda	Warren
August				
2	Fortunata J. Fuda	Spfld.	Thelma M. Castor	Spfld.
16	Samuel H. Adams, Jr.	Brimfield	Adella L. Kresco	Brimfield
30	George D. Rogers, Jr.	West Spfld.	Pauline H. Nicholas	Palmer
30	Louis Gagliardi, Jr.	West Brookfield	Helen Louise Broga	Spfld.
September				
13	Robert E. Schillinger	Brimfield	Barbara A. Petersen	Pelham
27	Charles LaFave	Brimfield	Parfica Augusta	Spfld.
October				
7	Saverio DiGeorgio	Monson	Yvonne J. Hughes	Monson
24	Sumner D. Barr	Brimfield	Dorothy A. Hickox	Holland
25	Franklin H. Woodman	Palmer	Opal M. Flinn	Wales
November				
2	Anthony A. Bettencourt	Edgartown	Edna O. Hamilton	Edgartown
8	Alexander Maynard	Sturbridge	Amelia H. Kresco	Brimfield
December				
13	Ralph S. Smith	Warren	Marjorie B. Patrick	Warren
20	Wesley B. Freeman	Brimfield	Harriet W. Maddocks	Brimfield

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
7	William Silas Spooner	80	9	21
21	Charles Wilson Robinson	85	0	25
31	Fred Olson	73	11	5
February				
22	Rosabelle S. Griswold	50	3	26
March				
27	Ralph S. Gilman	58	7	12
May				
6	Harold Winslow Smith	58	3	28
21	Kathleen Helen Martin	—	—	—
July				
2	Charles Warner Wheeler	76	0	9
10	George F. McKenna	42	—	—
10	Alfred J. Newell	39	1	9
29	Arthur C. Wood	56	11	12
August				
17	Robert William Hicks	13	0	9
September				
25	Anna Wilson (Gardner) Lombard	81	2	2
October				
11	Walter Bernard Gerard	0	0	3
November				
3	Grace Clark Maynard	65	3	29
17	Walter Matys	85	—	—
December				
21	Hattie Louise Peobles Hatch	85	9	11
24	Mary A. Travers	90	8	23

BURIALS FROM OTHER PLACES

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
February				
22	Mrs. Nellie (Andrews) Lewis of Worcester	80	2	4
June				
4	Milton S. Booth of Palmer	71	4	12
September				
10	Miss Jennie Powers of Palmer	83	7	12
October				
30	Mrs. Ida (Brown) George	71	9	4

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1947	\$2,744.73	
Receipts during year	167,107.44	
	<hr/>	\$169,852.17
Paid on treasury warrants	\$143,012.87	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1947	26,839.30	
	<hr/>	\$169,852.17

I have verified the treasurer's cash balance by actual count of her cash on hand.

FRANK S. GIFFORD

January 1, 1948

Town Accountant

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue — Taxes

Current Year	\$40,940.60	
Previous Years	4,597.85	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	2,879.09	
Income Tax	13,203.16	
Corporation Tax	2,275.59	
Reimb. Loss of Taxes (State)	485.12	
Meals Tax	323.51	
Classified Forest Land Tax 1947	927.59	
Classified Forest Land Tax 1946	181.82	
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		\$65,814.33

Grants and Gifts from State

Mass. School Fund	\$3,641.55	
Vocational Education	129.71	
Inspection of Animals	19.00	
Highway Fund (Gasoline Tax)	3,662.12	
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		\$7,452.38
From County, Dog Fund		398.41
Sealer's Fees		10.99
Licenses:		
Liquor		1,300.00
Other		62.00

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	4,563.98
Aid to Dependent Children	603.84

Rent of Town Hall	311.00
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Highways

From State	\$17,616.53
From County	2,500.00
Town Machinery	7,024.46
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	\$27,140.99

Charities

Relief from State	\$1,212.88
Relief from other towns	35.00
Old Age Asst. from State	3,298.04
Aid to Dep. Children from State	644.62
Soldiers Relief from State	278.00
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	\$5,468.54

Schools

Tuition, town of Wales	\$1,497.50
Tuition of State Wards	4,973.87
H.F.A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00
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	\$8,471.37

Miscellaneous

Court Fines	\$89.30
Library Fines	10.05
Sale of Cemetery Lots	60.00
Reimb. for digging graves	87.00
Reimb. for foundations	111.90

Demands on Poll Taxes	10.15	
Comp. Ins. added to fund	341.56	
Premium adjustment	54.60	
	<hr/>	\$764.56

Interest

On Taxes	\$133.60	
Perpetual Care Funds	325.93	
Library Trust Funds	228.44	
Harriet Harding Fund	20.00	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	160.00	
	<hr/>	\$867.97

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in Anticipation of Revenue	\$15,000.00	
In Anticipation of Reimbursement	23,175.00	
	<hr/>	\$38,175.00

Agency and Trust

Dog Licenses for County	\$508.40	
Withholding Tax	3,787.50	
Funds for Perpetual Care	1,350.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,645.90

Refunds	56.18
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Cash on hand beginning of year	2,744.73
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	\$169,852.17

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries	\$650.00
Clerk	99.95
Moderator	7.50
Printing, postage, etc.	51.28
Association Dues	13.00
Dog Officer	83.06
Filing Fees	9.00
Telephone	10.09
All other	98.61
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	\$1,022.49
Balance	252.51
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Appropriation	\$1,275.00

Town Accountant

Salary	\$540.00
Printing, postage, etc.	65.15
Other	3.85
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	\$609.00
Balance	16.00
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Appropriation	\$625.00

Treasurer

Salary	\$500.00
Printing, postage, etc.	50.43
Clerical Hire	50.00
Surety Bond	31.00

Insurance	35.00
Deposit Box Rent	6.00
Travel Expense	25.00
Other	2.20
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	\$699.63
Balance	.37
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	\$700.00

Tax Collector

Salary	\$550.00
Surety Bond	47.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	196.31
Travel & Expense	16.00
Advertising	9.00
Other	4.62
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	\$822.93
Balance	2.07
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	\$825.00

Assessors

Salaries	\$600.00
Clerical Hire	165.00
Printing, postage, etc.	43.03
Association Dues	6.00
Travel Expense	63.00
Telephone	4.15
Registry Service	18.15
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	\$899.73
Balance	100.27
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	\$1,000.00

Town Clerk

Salary	\$200.02
Recording Fees	31.50
Printing, postage, etc.	26.18
Surety Bond	7.50
Other	7.12
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	\$272.32
Balance	52.68
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	\$325.00

Election and Registration

Registrars	\$7.00
Election Officers	38.15
Printing	34.50
Street Lists	53.00
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	\$132.65
Balance	17.35
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	\$150.00

Certifying Notes

Certification	\$6.00
Balance	4.00
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Appropriation	\$10.00

Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	100.00

Town Hall

Salary, Janitor	\$468.00	
Fuel	288.39	
Light	49.60	
Janitor's Supplies	103.95	
Repairs	116.12	
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	\$1,026.06	
Balance	273.94	
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Appropriation	\$1,300.00	
Total, General Government		\$5,588.81

PROTECTION OF PERSONS and PROPERTY**Police**

Constables' Services	\$109.96	
Flasher Current	13.44	
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	\$123.40	
Balance	26.60	
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	\$150.00	

Fire Department

Salary, Chief	\$50.00	
Oil permits	107.50	
Insurance	77.80	
Storage, trucks	205.00	
Telephone	33.80	
Repairs	114.39	
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	\$588.49	
Balance	11.51	
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	\$600.00	

Forest Fire Department

Fire Payrolls	\$572.33
Storage and Repairs	163.17
Equipment	36.00
Fire Permits	22.50
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	\$794.00
Balance	6.00
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	\$800.00

Gypsy Moth Suppression

Labor	\$172.76
Transportation	18.00
Supplies	2.25
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	\$193.01
Balance	181.99
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Appropriation	\$375.00

Tree Warden

Salary and Wages	\$37.70
Expense	6.00
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	\$43.70
Balance	31.30
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Appropriation	\$75.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	\$50.00
Transportation	7.00

Equipment	7.08	
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	\$64.08	
Balance	.92	
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Appropriation	\$65.00	
Total, Protection Persons and Property		\$4,513.77

Health

Slaughtering Inspections	\$107.00	
Cattle Inspection	75.00	
School Children Inspection	50.00	
Printing	3.85	
Salary, Agent	25.00	
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	\$260.85	
Balance	39.15	
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	\$300.00	

HIGHWAYS

Chapter 81

Labor	\$4,489.73	
Hired Machinery	4,288.93	
Town Machinery	3,169.30	
Materials	4,641.64	
Compensation Ins.	165.38	
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	\$16,694.98	
Balance	.02	
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		\$16,695.00
State Allotment	\$14,175.00	
Town Appropriation	2,520.00	
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		\$16,695.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Labor	\$2,454.62	
Hired Equipment	1,986.35	
Town Machinery	1,844.30	
Materials	1,536.56	
Compensation Ins.	82.50	
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	\$7,904.33	
Balance carried to 1948	2,629.35	
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		\$10,533.68
Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State Allotment	3,000.00	
County Allotment	3,000.00	
Balance from 1946	2,533.68	
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		\$10,533.68

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$312.70	
Town Machinery	215.20	
Hired Equipment	126.05	
Materials	1,134.55	
Compensation Insurance	11.44	
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	\$1,799.94	
Balance	.06	
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		\$1,800.00
Town Appropriation	\$600.00	
State Allotment	600.00	
County Allotment	600.00	
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		\$1,800.00

General Highway**Snow Removal**

Labor	\$1,736.68
Machinery	1,663.89
Snow Fence	418.91
Other	114.59

Other

Labor	\$241.00
Lumber	141.92
Other	127.21

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	\$4,444.20	
Balance	55.80	

		<hr/>	\$4,500.00
Appropriation	\$4,000.00		
From Reserve Fund	500.00		

		<hr/>	\$4,500.00
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Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	\$500.00
Expended	497.20

Balance	<hr/>	\$2.80
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Street Lighting

Worc. County Electric Co.	\$931.00
Balance	4.00

Appropriation	<hr/>	\$935.00
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Machinery Account

Labor	\$539.78
Gas and Oil	968.83

Rent	100.00	
Insurance on Machinery	216.82	
Supplies and Repairs	2,300.73	
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	\$4,126.16	
Transferred to Fund	405.84	
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Appropriation	\$4,532.00	
Total, Highways		\$36,397.81

Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board		\$150.00
Cash relief granted	\$999.78	
Medicine and Medical care	649.78	
Relief by Other Town	255.65	
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		\$1,905.21
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		\$2,055.21
Balance		1,344.79
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Appropriation		\$3,400.00

Old Age Assistance

Funds available from 1946	\$3,753.29	
Federal Grants 1947	4,373.57	
Town Appropriation	6,000.00	
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	\$14,126.86	
Cash Grants	10,374.67	
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	\$3,752.19	
Bal. in Federal Funds		\$471.21
Bal. in town appro.		3,280.98
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		\$3,752.19

Old Age Assistance, Administrative

Funds available from 1946	\$86.97	
Federal Grants 1947	190.41	
Town Appropriation	300.00	
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	\$577.38	
Salaries and Services	427.66	
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	\$149.72	
Balance in Federal Funds		\$16.01
Balance in town appropriation		133.71
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		\$149.72

Aid to Dependent Children

Funds available from 1946	\$53.45	
Federal Grants	603.84	
Town Appropriation	2,200.00	
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	\$2,857.29	
Cash Grants	2,728.15	
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	\$129.14	
Balance in Federal Funds		\$56.57
Balance in town appropriation		72.57
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		\$129.14

Aid to Dependent Children Administrative

Balance in Federal Funds	\$22.15
Expended	22.15

Military Service Assessment

Raised by Assessors	\$605.50
Expended	605.50

Soldiers' Benefits

Medical Services and Care	\$191.50
Balance unexpended	608.50
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Appropriation	\$800.00

School Lunches

Balance from 1946	\$225.47
Appropriation	300.00
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	\$525.47
Expended	490.16
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Balance	\$35.31

Trade School Tuition

Tuition Paid Southbridge	\$208.72
Tuition Paid Springfield	147.66
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	\$356.38
Balance	43.62
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Appropriation	\$400.00

Schools

General Administration	\$2,185.90
Teachers' Salaries	23,503.75
Text Books and Supplies	1,715.57
Janitor Services	1,999.92
Fuel and Light	2,156.20
Repairs	300.94
Health	275.00
Transportation	7,227.44
Janitor's Supplies	239.17
New Equipment	303.00

Graduation Exercises	56.20
All Other	31.91
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	\$39,995.00
Appropriation	\$39,995.00

Library

Salary, Librarian	\$600.00
Assistant, East Brimfield	26.00
Janitor	180.00
Books	115.72
Periodicals	38.35
Fuel	165.20
Light	30.40
Janitor's Supplies	5.95
Insurance	28.00
Repairs	129.02
All other	7.65
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	\$1,326.29
Balance	.56
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\$1,326.85

Town Appropriation	\$700.00
Dog Fund	398.41
Income from Funds	119.42
Lincoln Building Fund	109.02
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\$1,326.85

Common

Labor	\$109.41
Town Machinery	18.80
Gas, repairs, etc.	26.25
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	\$154.46
Balance	95.54
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Appropriation	\$250.00

Memorial Day

Music	\$21.09
Plants	59.50
Flags	40.73
Labor, etc.	3.68
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	\$125.00
Appropriation	\$125.00

Insurance, Property

Premium Paid	\$59.59
Balance	65.41
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Appropriation	\$125.00

Compensation Insurance

Premium Paid	\$364.61
Bal. transferred to Fund	60.39
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Appropriation	\$425.00

Power Lawn Mower

Appropriation	\$64.00
Balance from 1946	350.00
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	\$414.00

Power Grass Clipper

Appropriation	\$285.00
Expended	282.00
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Balance	\$3.00

Aid to Agriculture

Appropriation	\$25.00
Expended	25.00

Town Reports

Printing	\$285.00
Postage	11.22
Typing and Mailing	20.00
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	\$316.22
Balance	3.78
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Appropriation	\$320.00

Interest

On Temporary Loans	\$75.00
On Highway Loans	108.78
On Schoolhouse Bonds	380.00
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	\$563.78
Balance	51.22
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Appropriation	\$615.00

Cemetery

Labor	\$471.85
Supplies and Repairs	120.61

Compensation Insurance	6.09
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	\$598.55
Balance	1.45
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Appropriation	\$600.00

Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$15,000.00
Highway Loan	9,000.00
Schoolhouse Bond	2,000.00
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	\$26,000.00

Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$896.53
County Tax	1,599.56
Dog Licenses for County	508.40
Perpetual Care Funds	325.93
Harriet Harding Fund	20.00
Withholding Tax	3,787.50
Int. on Gov't Bonds deposited	160.00

Refunds:

Poll & Property Tax	46.40
M. V. Excise Tax	81.43
Cash on hand end of year	26,839.30
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	\$169,852.17

FRANK S. GIFFORD,

Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash on hand December 31, 1947	\$26,839.30	Overlay, Levy of 1947	\$ 558.34
Taxes, Levy of 1947	6,370.73	Levy of 1946	155.81
Taxes, Levy of 1946	155.81	Overlay Surplus	3,129.87
Classified Forest Land Tax	332.58	Revenue reserved until collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	234.04	Classified Forest	
Tax Titles	79.87	Land Tax	\$332.58
Tax Possessions	570.00	Motor Vehicle	
Due from State a/c Highways	8,729.24	Excise Tax	234.04
Due from County a/c Highways	2,600.00	Tax Title Revenue	649.87
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		Sale Real Estate Fund	1,216.49
		Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	47.84
		Machinery Fund	215.00
		Comp. Insurance Fund	3,593.93
		Account balances carried to 1948:	434.33
		Federal Grants O.A.A. \$487.22	
		Federal Grants A.D.C. 56.57	
		Repairs to Fire Truck	467.91
		Edgar Brown Playgr. Fund	203.43
		Chap. 90 Construction	2,629.35
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			3,844.48

Highway reimb. Loan	14,175.00
Refund O. A. A.	52.67
Surplus Revenue	18,487.81
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	\$45,911.57

TRUST FUNDS

Trust and Investment Funds:		
Cash on deposit	\$35,750.22	
U. S. Gov't. Bonds	8,000.00	
Harriet Harding, Charity		\$2,703.46
Harriet Allen, School		670.89
Cemetery Gate Fund		32.86
Cemetery Wall Fund		420.77
Perpetual Care Funds		19,483.36
Post-War Rehabilitation		8,671.55
Library Funds:		
Mary K. Hyde	831.50	
U. J. Shaw	2,489.09	
E. C. Flynt	103.52	
Julia E. Coy	645.04	
A. G. Tarbell	200.00	
E. B. Robinson	411.41	
Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00	
Emily Woods	500.00	
Chamberlain-Smith	605.20	
Jas. D. Lincoln	4,981.57	
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OUTSTANDING DEBT

Outstanding Dec. 31, 1947	\$17,000.00	Scholhouse Bonded Loan	\$17,000.00
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Tax Collector's Report

1947

Commitments as per warrants		\$49,343.01
Abatements refunded		20.40
		<hr/> \$49,363.41
Cash to treasurer	\$41,877.09	
Abatements	782.41	
To tax titles	11.50	
	<hr/> \$42,671.00	
Less interest collected	10.90	
	<hr/> \$42,660.10	42,660.10
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1947		<hr/> \$6,703.31

1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947		\$4,892.02
Abatements refunded		6.00
		<hr/> \$4,898.02
Cash to treasurer	\$4,865.58	
Abatements	17.18	
	<hr/> \$4,882.76	
Less interest collected	120.53	
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Outstanding Dec. 31, 1947		<hr/> \$135.79

1945

Outstanding January 1, 1947		\$9.61
Audit adjustment		.99
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		\$10.60
Cash to treasurer	\$32.37	
Less interest collected	1.77	
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		30.60
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Overpayment, refunded		\$20.00

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1947

Commitment as per warrants		\$3,008.43
Abatements, refunded		52.39
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		\$3,060.82
Cash to treasurer	\$2,649.17	
Abatements	52.39	
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		2,701.56
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Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1947		\$359.26

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1946

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1947		\$146.71
Commitment Feb. 15, 1947		92.66
Abatements, refunded		29.04
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		\$268.41

Cash to treasurer	\$230.19	
Abatements	38.47	
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	\$268.66	
Less interest collected	.25	
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		\$268.41

HERBERT A. FOGG,

Collector of Taxes.

Memorial Day Committee

The Committee expresses gratitude to the American Legion Auxiliary for making wreaths for the Soldiers' monuments in town; also for the continued generosity of Arthur Wood, proprietor of Wood's Store in donating ice cream for the school and members of the High School Band who participated in the Memorial Day observance.

Appreciation is also expressed for the cooperation of the teachers and pupils of the schools for providing a suitable program for the occasion.

PERCY MOORE

GEO. E. HITCHCOCK

RAYMOND LEMMELIN

EVERETT LANDEN

RUTH FISKE

LOUISA PHIPPS

GLADYS L. WEBBER

Committee

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

To the citizens of the town of Brimfield:

The Cemetery Commissioners' report for 1947 is respectfully submitted with the twofold purpose of reporting accomplishments of the past year and to offer a few facts dealing with the future.

Supplementing the direct appropriation of \$600.00 granted by the town, \$325.93 was used from the income of perpetual care funds. This latter amount is nearly all that is available annually from this source.

This money was expended as follows:

Labor	\$793.45
Supplies and Repairs	120.61
Comp. Insurance	10.42

From the total for labor, \$198.90 was expended for opening graves of non-residents, installing foundations and repairing monuments and was reimbursed to the town. This money, by law, went into the general fund and was thereby lost to the Commissioners. An additional sum of approximately \$140.00 was paid for opening residents' graves, which left \$459.08 available for general maintenance, or a little over \$65.00 per month for the seven months during which work must be carried on.

This means that part time labor must be used and under present day conditions this is becoming increasingly harder to obtain.

With these facts in mind and looking forward to the coming year, your Commissioners feel that a motor driven eighteen inch mower should be purchased. This will greatly reduce the number of man hours required to properly maintain those areas where the use of the large machine is either impractical or impossible. An estimate of the cost of such a mower is \$130.00.

We also feel that due to present day labor costs, an additional \$10.00 per month is necessary to insure the continued well-kept appearance of our Cemetery.

These additional amounts total \$200.00 and it is our recommendation that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated for 1948.

CHENEY F. NEWTON

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

EVERETT D. LANDEN

Commissioners.

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE OF CEMETERY

George E. Hitchcock	\$221.50	
Norman Howlett	160.80	
Kenneth Howlett	12.80	
Loius Martin	18.60	
Percy Moore	10.80	
Harold Hitchcock	7.00	
Munroe Tarbell, Jr.	2.00	
Clark Hayward	6.40	
L. V. Howlett	5.60	
Arthur Macumber	1.50	
Joseph Messier	8.00	
Joseph VanHook	9.35	
Cheney Newton	5.00	
James Howlett	2.50	
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Total, Labor		\$471.85

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES

B. E. Campbell	\$1.00	
George Hitchcock	10.32	
Brimfield Garage	24.21	
Hatch's Village Store	4.60	
Haley's Grain Store	35.95	
Harold Hitchcock	4.75	
Weidenmiller and Magovern	39.78	
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		\$120.61
Compensation Insurance		6.09
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		\$598.55

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

Norman Howlett	\$139.20	
George Hitchcock	176.89	
Louis Martin	5.60	
Compensation Insurance	4.33	
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Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Amount of Fund	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	\$ 52.27
Jennie Agard	500.00	585.92
Stephen Agard	100.00	116.29
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	124.44
Charles S. Allen	100.00	123.32
George Allen	100.00	177.73
Elijah Allen	100.00	111.91
Massena B. Allen	100.00	103.91
George Bacon	100.00	138.38
Calvin Baker	100.00	107.72
Jonathan Bixby	100.00	100.17
Francis Bliss	200.00	255.63
Louis Blodgett	100.00	104.84
Francis H. Boardman	100.00	105.83
Sanford Booth	100.00	106.03
Asheal Bennett	500.00	553.33
Herbert Bradway	100.00	108.43
Charles O. Brown	100.00	112.59
Harriet Brown	100.00	139.01
Albert R. Brown	200.00	204.39
F. Edgar Brown	165.64	173.61
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	103.97
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	106.20
Arthur Brown	100.00	115.22
Dauphin Brown	100.00	104.49
Jonathan Brown	100.00	126.52
J. R. Brown	100.00	104.44

James Buxton	100.00	138.50
Darius & Abraham Charles	300.00	314.38
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	217.83
John Charles	50.00	50.08
Jonathan Charles	50.00	50.08
Aaron Charles	50.00	50.08
Abraham & Nathaniel Charles	50.00	50.08
Thomas & Thena Charles	50.00	50.08
Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	219.54
Chamberlain & Dyer	200.00	212.85
Charles & Bacon	100.00	103.79
Alfred Converse	100.00	103.64
Marcus Converse	100.00	111.76
Frank H. Cook	100.00	116.70
Miner Corbin	100.00	106.46
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	139.07
Seth Dunham	100.00	126.23
Charles S. Davis	100.00	106.29
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,034.80
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	105.40
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	103.49
Frederick M. Fenton	200.00	209.35
Ferry & Robinson	100.00	127.00
Ferry & Dix	50.00	52.80
John Foster	100.00	151.99
Etta Fiske	100.00	127.13
Marshall W. French	200.00	235.63
George A. Furness	75.00	78.89
Nathan Goodell	52.00	53.06
Mary L. Gould	300.00	300.00
William H. Green	200.00	205.87
Lyman Griggs	100.00	105.45
Thomas Harwood	100.00	104.84
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	127.99
David Hitchcock	100.00	124.32
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	78.20
Orson Holdridge	50.00	52.42

Linus Homer	100.00	177.83
George Homer	50.00	51.37
Newton S. Hubbard	100.00	115.49
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	276.89
Albion Janes	100.00	123.31
Edwin Janes	100.00	121.75
David W. Janes	200.00	222.66
H. E. & C. R. Janes	100.00	105.05
William Janes	100.00	100.17
William S. Janes	100.00	100.17
Austin Jenninson	50.00	52.07
Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	115.48
Asa Lawrence	50.00	52.23
Nellie A. Lewis	300.00	300.50
James & Asa Lincoln	500.00	621.93
F. A. Lombard	100.00	103.91
Charles E. Lumbard	100.00	121.47
Charles O. Lumbard	100.00	123.62
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	160.62
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	121.84
Nathan G. Lyman	75.00	78.43
Edward P. Marriott	100.00	104.62
Charles H. Moore	100.00	106.63
Joseph Marcy	75.00	78.99
Jason Morse	100.00	141.72
Albigence Newell	100.00	112.06
Abner Nichols	100.00	107.89
Emily Noyes	100.00	123.00
John Noyes	100.00	105.61
Cheney Newton	100.00	119.14
Arthur Palmer	100.00	106.22
Fred & Orra Parker	100.00	105.91
Melissa Parker	200.00	293.13
Porter Parker	200.00	248.56
Sumner Parker	100.00	106.14
Etta Pierce	100.00	154.17
Pierce & Dunsmore	200.00	213.76

Albert W. Pierson	100.00	103.97
Norman Powers	75.00	78.40
George Puffer	100.00	109.03
Augusta Rice	100.00	121.75
F. H. Robertson	75.00	77.36
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	229.28
E. T. Sherman	200.00	213.22
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	125.38
John Sherman	100.00	104.45
Harold & Orida Smith	100.00	100.00
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	105.81
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	163.34
Everts Tarbell	200.00	239.88
John Tunison	100.00	114.11
Joseph Vaill	100.00	115.28
Charles C. Warren	100.00	120.40
Lily J. Warren	200.00	237.72
Fred M. Webber	100.00	120.98
Jane Webber	100.00	102.60
Jonathan Webber	100.00	132.95
Lilla & Charles Webber	100.00	106.96
Mary Wheeler	50.00	53.40
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	673.72
Wight & Foskett	100.00	113.48
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	105.15
Thomas Williams	200.00	222.86
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	104.87
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	\$16,967.64	\$19,483.56

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$1,190.65
Stanley Adams	866.65
James Wesson	504.38
M. G. Tarbell, Jr.	233.33
Emil Berger	402.45
Alonzo Carpenter	491.40
Herman Horton	109.14
John Sherman	12.40
Joseph Travers	426.90
Ralph Stanton	70.18
Joseph Moran	3.00
Harold Hitchcock	4.50
Cahrles Day	174.74
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	\$4,489.73

MATERIALS

Wallace Fountain	\$217.50
Stanley Hicks	88.95
Leslie Dewey	115.30
Otto Anderson	3.15
Louis Gagliardi	3.60
Duff Bros. Inc.	15.98
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,179.12
Hatch's Village Store	11.65
Koppers Co.	214.08
R. O. & F. C. Dingman	30.00

State Prison	57.30
B. E. Campbell	4.25
The Barrett Co.	2,693.00
G. B. Sherman	7.76
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	\$4,641.64

HIRED MACHINERY

Ellsworth Bradway	\$187.20	
Wm. E. Reynolds	11.00	
Alex. Maynard	133.20	
Franklin Booth	91.20	
W. L. Moulton	1,476.63	
Arthur Jefferson	585.60	
Charles Heck	290.00	
Harold Hitchcock	742.80	
Joseph Moran	382.80	
Louis West	96.00	
A. D. Macumber	225.50	
Town of Wales	7.00	
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	\$4,228.93	
Compensation Insurance	165.38	
Town Machinery	3,169.30	
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		\$16,694.98
Balance unexpended		.02
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		\$16,695.00
Town Appropriation	\$2,520.00	
State Allotment	14,175.00	
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		\$16,695.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

LABOR

G. B. Sherman	\$677.05
Stanley Adams	484.30
James Wesson	126.00
Emil Berger	139.00
Alonzo Carpenter	342.16
Herman Horton	54.50
Roy Thompson	6.56
Ellsworth Bradway	17.00
Edric Lawrence	24.70
Joseph Travers	271.24
James Hoyt	4.00
Donald Burlingame	18.90
John Sherman	6.56
Gabriel Carlson	14.00
Ralph Moulton	6.00
Ralph Stanton	246.25
Richard Goddard	16.40
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	\$2,454.62

HIRED MACHINERY

W. L. Moulton	\$1,114.00
Arthur Jefferson	237.60
Town of Charlton	40.00
Harold Hitchcock	191.50
Town of Brookfield	32.00
Victor Guerin	22.00
A. D. Macumber	35.75
Ellsworth Bradway	79.20
John Moran	64.80
David Brown	104.50
W. W. Jurczyk	65.00
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	\$1,986.35

MATERIALS

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	\$139.94	
The Barrett Co.	869.57	
Comm'lth of Mass.	89.20	
Otto Anderson	403.40	
S. C. Hicks	20.10	
Louis Gagliardi	9.00	
Ernest Roberts	3.00	
G. B. Sherman	2.35	
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	\$1,536.56	
Compensation Insurance	82.50	
Town Machinery	1,844.30	
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		\$7,904.33
Balance carried to 1948		2,629.35
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		\$10,533.68
Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State Allotment	3,000.00	
County Allotment	3,000.00	
Balance from 1946	2,533.68	
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		\$10,533.68

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

MAINTENANCE

G. B. Sherman	\$79.20
Stanley Adams	46.40
Alonzo Carpenter	52.50
Joseph Travers	46.50
Emil Berger	29.60
Charles Day	17.25
M. G. Tarbell, Jr.	22.50
James Wesson	18.75

A. D. Macumber	85.25	
Harold Hitchcock	40.80	
S. C. Hicks	27.60	
The Barrett Co.	1,106.95	
Town Machinery	215.20	
Compensation Insurance	11.44	
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		1,799.94
Balance unexpended		.06
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		\$1,8000.00
Town Appropriation	\$600.00	
State Allotment	600.00	
County Allotment	600.00	
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		\$1,8000.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL HIGHWAY

G. B. Sherman	\$578.25
Stanley Adams	441.50
John Sherman	122.40
Oliver Veines	36.08
M. G. Tarbell, Jr.	91.35
P. J. McIntyre	124.50
Herman Horton	14.25
Joseph Travers	55.72
Alonzo Carpenter	55.72
Harold Hitchcock	6.40
J. N. Wesson	42.00
Norman Wesson	14.76
L. V. Howlett	1.50
Jas. MacConnell	19.68
David Brown	67.50
Ralph Stanton	96.29
Jas. Adams, Jr.	3.75

Leslie Dewey	33.20	
James Howlett	14.40	
Arthur Brown	11.05	
Richard Hicks	11.60	
Norman Howlett	9.00	
Harry Landen	7.50	
Wesley Martin	10.66	
Orville Pratt	31.60	
Clark Hayward	24.00	
John Hitchcock	4.50	
William Hicks	9.02	
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		\$1,938.18
Double Test Supply Co.	418.91	
State Prison Colony	23.23	
Chemical Corp.	80.50	
Rufus Streeter	92.24	
James Hoyt	49.68	
D. H. Wells, Jr.	38.50	
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		703.06
Compensation Insurance		40.70
Town Machinery		1,762.26
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		\$4,444.20
Balance unexpended		55.80
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		\$4,500.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN MACHINERY

G. B. Sherman	\$270.60
Stanley Adams	216.95
John Sherman	12.80
David Brown	13.50

Harold Hitchcock	4.80
J. N. Wesson	3.75
Emil Berger	3.38
Ralph Stanton	17.00
Brimfield Garage	874.22
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	968.83
Carey's Machine Shop	169.69
Clark-Wilcox Co.	13.90
W. L. Moulton	45.00
Christie & Thomson	12.63
Hatch's Village Store	.64
Roy Pontiac	19.63
Faulkner Hardware Co.	9.50
Hitchcock Free Academy	100.00
Zabek Motor Sales	44.74
James Yelle	20.00
B. E. Campbell	6.10
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	136.19
Warren Campbell	39.20
R. W. Bleiler Equip. Co.	459.56
G. B. Sherman	10.00
Brighton Steel Co.	135.45
E. F. Edson Co.	49.23
Wm. D. Spooner	216.82
Inter'l Harvester Co.	240.89
Compensation Insurance	14.15

\$4,126.16

Report of

The Board of Public Welfare

DECEMBER 31, 1947

Thirty-one cases were aided during 1947. Of these 28 are continuing.

	Old Age Assistance	Aid Dependent Children	General Relief
Brimfield Settled Cases	16	1	2
Brimfield Settled Cases In Other Towns	4		2
Other Towns Settled	1		1
State Settled	3		1
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	24	1	6

Expenditures amounted to \$15,608.84, with a total cost to Brimfield of \$5,259.42.

Federal Reimb.	\$4,610.75	\$625.15	\$
State Reimbursement	3,483.82	909.37	637.00
Other Towns Reim.	67.73		15.60
Cost to Brimfield	2,641.03	1,215.78	1,402.61
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Total Aid Given	10,803.33	2,750.30	2,055.21

All cases have been reviewed and budgets adjusted to meet State Standard requirements, and all recipients have been visited at least twice during the year.

Of the 5 applications for Old Age Assistance received 3 were approved, 1 was rejected, and 1 was withdrawn by the applicant.

The usual Federal and State Audits have been made.

JAS. A. G. HOYT, Chairman

LLEWELLYN B. NORTON

EVELYN B. LANDEN, Clerk

Report of

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1947.

	Adjusted	Scaled
Platform Scales		1
Beam Scales	1	1
Spring Scales		1
Computing Scales		3
Avoirdupois Weights		7
Liquid Measures		5
Counter Scales		1
Gasoline Meters		19

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Sealer

Report of Assessors

Town appropriations raised		
by taxation	\$77,091.16	
Appropriated from available funds	7,569.10	
Maturing debt	2,000.00	
Veterans Service District		
assessment	605.50	
State Tax	850.00	
State Parks	61.65	
State Parks under-estimate 1946	23.12	
State Audit	1.51	
County Tax	1,949.81	
County Tax under-estimate 1946	26.86	
Tuberculosis hospital assessment	42.09	
Overlay of current year	1,338.75	
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		\$91,559.55
Available funds and estimated receipts		43,518.71
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Net amount to be raised by taxation		\$48,040.84
341 Polls @ \$2.00		682.00
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Tax assessed on property		\$47,358.84
Valuation of Personal Property	\$195,690.00	
Valuation of Real Estate	833,850.00	
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Total valuation	\$1,029,540.00	
Tax Rate—\$46.00		
Excise tax assessed on Motor Vehicles		\$3,106.78

Acres of land assessed	19,321
Dwellings assessed	417
Cows assessed	615
Neat cattle	172
Swine	12
Sheep	11
Horses	70
Fowl	26,167

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN P. MOORE

JOHN M. HALEY

Assessors

Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on July 28, 1947 and organized with Thomas Magrath, Chairman; Raymond Lemmelin, Vice-Chairman and Ernest Roberts, Clerk.

At this meeting, items in the warrant for the special town meeting were considered and recommendations made. A meeting was held previous to the special town meeting, Dec. 11 to make recommendations to the town under the articles in the warrant for that meeting.

At a meeting held later in the month, the \$500. in the Reserve Fund was voted transferred to the General Highway account for snow removal expense.

ERNEST G. ROBERTS, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

This year we have covered all the town roads and have done some field work. 2,334 gypsy moth egg masses were found and destroyed.

PERCY N. MOORE, Supt.

BUDGET FOR 1948

	Expended 1947	Fin. Com. Recom. 1948
Selectmen	\$1,022.49	\$1,000.00
Accountant	609.00	625.00
Treasurer	699.63	700.00
Tax Collector	822.93	800.00
Assessors	899.73	950.00
Certifying Notes	4.00	10.00
Town Clerk	272.32	350.00
Election & Registration	132.65	375.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00
Town Hall	1,026.06	1,300.00
Police	123.40	150.00
Fire Department	1,382.49	1,200.00
Sealer	64.08	65.00
Moth Suppression	193.01	300.00
Tree Warden	43.70	75.00
Reserve Fund		500.00
Health	260.85	300.00
Highways Chapter 81	2,520.00	2,520.00
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	600.00	600.00
General Highway	4,444.20	9,000.00
Street Lighting	931.00	931.00
Charity	2,055.21	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,719.02	5,000.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	166.29	300.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,127.43	2,500.00
Schools	39,995.00	41,485.00

Trade School Tuition	356.38	400.00
Library	1,326.29	700.00
Soldiers' Benefits	494.25	200.00
Pension Fund		136.70
Common	154.46	250.00
Memorial Day	125.00	125.00
Insurance, Town Property	59.59	200.00
Town Reports	316.22	350.00
Cemetery	598.55	800.00
Interest on temporary loans	183.78	200.00
Interest on maturing debt	380.00	340.00
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	\$69,209.03	\$79,337.70

Librarian's Report

Our Library circulation remains the same as last year.

Several individuals have presented books to the Library. As the price of books has gone up, thus curtailing our purchasing power, these gifts are most welcome.

Mrs. Tarbell has given us some valuable and interesting material pertaining to early Brimfield days and people. This came from Miss Anna Tarbell's home and will, during the coming summer, be placed in convenient files.

Dr. Samuel Guthrie, the discoverer of chloroform, was born in Brimfield. An excellent biography of Dr. Guthrie, which contains pictures of his birthplace and of the "Guthrie Bridge", has been written by J. R. Pawling, M. D. In recognition for material included in his book which was supplied by the Brimfield Librarian, Dr. Pawling has kindly sent us an autographed copy.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNSMORE

Librarian

NON-FICTION

Armory, Cleavland	The Proper Bostonians
White, W. A.	Autobiography of William Allen White
Bacmeister, Rhoda	Growing Together
Buck, Pearl S.	Far and Near
Byrnes, James F.	Speaking Frankly
Chamberlain, William	The European Cockpit
Desmond, Alice C.	Glamorous Dolly Madison
duNouy, Lecomte	Human Destiny
Fosdick, Harry E.	On being fit to live with
Greenslet, Ferris	The Lowells and their Seven Worlds
Gunther, John	Inside U.S.A.
Halsey	Admiral Halsey's Story
Hard, Walter	The Connecticut
Levi, Carlo	Christ Stopped at Eboli
Luccock	The Questing Spirit
Rich, Louise D.	Happy the Land
Seaver, Albert S.	The Man and his Mind
Editor of Look	Story of the F.B.I.
Toynbee, Arnold	A Study of History
Winant, John G.	Letter from Grosvenor Square

FICTION

Asch, Sholem	East River
Barber, Elsie O.	The Wall Between
Brace, Gerald	Garretson Chronicle
Bromfield, Louis	Colorado
Bassett, Sara	Head Winds
Bourne, Peter	Drums of Destiny
Buck, Pearl S.	Pavillion of Women
Carroll, Gladys	Dunnybrook
Costain, Thomas	The Moneyman
Cuthrie, A. B., Jr.	The Big Sky
Davenport, Marcia	East Side, West Side

De la Roche	Return to Jalna
Freedman, Benedict & Nancy	Mrs. Mike
Gooden, Arthur	The Shadowed Trail
Hancock, Lucy	Resident Nurse
Hilton, James	Nothing so Strange
Hueston, Ethel	Heaven and Vice Versa
Janney, Russell	Miracle of the Bells
Keyes, Frances P.	Came a Cavalier
Loring, Emilie	Beckoning Trails
Macdougall	Where Flows the Kennebec
Maugham, W. Somerset	The Razor's Edge
Mitchell, Edwin V.	It's an Old New England Custom
Motley, Willard	Knock on Any Door
Parmenter, Christine	Fair Were the Days
Runbeck	Hope of the Earth
Roberts, Kenneth	Lydia Bailey
Whitman, Evelyn	I'm Tired of Grandma

JUVENILE

Banning, Nina	Pit Pony
Burgess, Thornton	The Dear Old Briar-Patch
Dana, Dorathea	Sugar Bush
Evans, Eva K.	All About Us
Farley, Walter	Son of the Black Stallion
Fisher, Lois	You and the United Nations
Gay, Ronny	Cinder
Hahn, Emily	China A to Z
Hunt, Mabel	Double Birthday Present
Jones, Mary Alice	Tell Me About the Bible
Jones, Mary Alice	Tell Me About Jesus
Jackson	Round the Afternoon
Lenski, Lois	The Read to me Story Book
Mitchell, Lucy	Here and Now Story Book
Moe, Virginia	Animal Inn
O'Hara, Mary	Green Grass of Wyoming
Robinson, W. W.	Animal Babies

Steiner, Charlotte
Sigsgaard, J.

Surprise of the Bunny
Nils All Alone

Encyclopoedia Britannica Series:

Children on England's Canals
Dark Eyes and her Navaho Blanket
Hans of the Swiss Alps
French-Canadian Children
Kana, Prince of Darkest Africa
Pauli and his Hawaiian Feast
Pedro Picks Coffee in Brazil
Shiu Ming, Chinese Boy Scout
Yukiko and a Japanese Carnival
Mateo and the Mexican Fair

1947 Report
of the
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO
AGRICULTURE AND THE
HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
LEAGUE

BRIMFIELD, MASS.

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Several newly organized, very definite and worthwhile programs are now available to all farmers as follows: (1) Artificial Breeding has 200 members with excellent heifer calves being raised; (2) Dairy Herd Improvement Association means improved breeding and feeding for more profitable dairying; (3) Potato Spray Ring assures a good spray program for potato growers; (4) Young Farmer organization has the leaders of tomorrow; (5) Commodity organization in poultry, fruit, dairy, etc. have sizeable memberships with state representation working for their interest.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 56 women attended 6 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 2 local leaders assisted by the County and State Extension Agents. There were 5 different projects during the year with the following

local leaders assisting: Mrs. Raymond Lemmelin who incurred expenses amounting to \$4.62, Mrs. Emma Hastings, and Mrs. Roland Phipps.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 20 boys and 27 girls enrolled in 6 different 4-H Club projects. Mrs. Ruth Parker, Mrs. George Bannow, Mrs. Robert MacConnell, Mrs. Irene Wright, Mrs. Clark W. Hayward, Mrs. William R. Hill, and Mr. J. Frederick Lawrence assisted the county and state agents in conducting the projects. No expenses were incurred during 1947.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1947 Appropriation	\$25.00
Balance carried over from 1946	33.32
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	\$58.32
Expended in 1947	4.62
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Balance available for 1948	\$53.70
Appropriation recommended for 1948	25.00
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	\$78.70

NOTE: The town appropriation is deposited with the County Treasurer and held to the credit of the town for reimbursing local town leaders for their necessary expenses in conducting such work as may be assigned them.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID
TO AGRICULTURE

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

Report of the GRANGE'S SPONSORSHIP of the SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

I herewith submit my report as Chairman of the Home and Community Service of the Brimfield Grange, which is sponsoring agent of the "School Lunch Program".

In 1945 I made application to the Federal Government for assistance in setting up a Federal Lunch Program in the Brimfield Schools. They were very generous in their help and gave me a cash grant of \$1,389.47 to buy the following equipment:

1 Kelvinator refrigerator (9 cu. ft.)	\$269.95
1 Sunbeam Mixer	34.75
1 Kelvinator Deep Freeze (6 cu. ft.)	229.95
7 sets salt and pepper	2.03
1 Garland Range	250.00
8 doz. bowls	40.00
8 doz. plates	44.00
8 doz. vegetable dishes	23.20
8 doz. each tea and soup spoons	34.00
8 doz. each knives and forks	54.00
12 doz. tumblers	10.80
1 egg beater	1.50
2 wooden spoons	.50
4 serving spoons	4.00

2 potato forks	3.50
2 paring knives	.80
2 6" butcher knives	2.00
1 - 12" chef knife	2.50
1 hollow ground knife	1.50
2 ladles, 4 and 8 oz.	3.45
1 - 2 qt. measure	1.50
1 can opener	6.50
1 tea kettle	2.49
1 set of 6 mixing bowls	2.10
3 alum. kettles, 14, 18 & 24 qt.	22.50
1 Foley food mill	4.95
1 Alum. double boiler 12 qt.	15.00
2 cake pans	3.00
1 silver basket	5.20
1 knife box	3.50
1 Pressure cooker 16 qt.	16.95
2 alum. sauce pans	7.85
1 Spatula	1.00
1 Garbage can	3.50
7 doz. 12 x 16 serving trays	126.00
1 galv. sink 18 x 36	50.00
2 cutting boards	5.00
Installing sink	100.00
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	\$1,389.47

The Government would not help defray the cost of installing the lights, putting in the outlets for the electrical equipment nor the gas, hot and cold running water and other items, such as changing the rooms, etc.

A suitable place for serving the children was needed, so tables and benches were made. In order to get drainage for the sink it was necessary to elevate the kitchen three feet above the basement floor. Cupboards and storage space were provided, also working space for the prepara-

tion of lunches as well as other necessary things for the successful completion of the lunch program.

All of these items were completed with the money appropriated by the town for "School Lunches".

The project is self supporting; the children are served a balanced diet, which must meet the state regulations. The cost to each child was increased at the opening of school last September because of the rise in the cost of food.

Each and every parent is invited by the School Committee to see the Lunch Program in operation as the Committee feels that if you could see what they are served, you would no longer put up cold lunches for the children to carry to school.

We have at present, three paid workers, two full-time and one part time.

For each type A lunch served, the program is reimbursed seven cents by the Federal Government and for each bottle of milk served, two cents.

In conclusion, may I thank all who have helped to make this program a definite success.

CLARK W. HAYWARD, Chairman,
HOME & COMMUNITY SERVICE
OF THE BRIMFIELD GRANGE

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—1947

Member	Term expires
BEATRICE H. MacCONNELL, Chairman	1948
CLARK W. HAYWARD, Secretary	1950
HENRY LACH	1949

Superintendent of Schools

HAROLD M. LADD

Office Hours

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 a. m. to 12 m. — 1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.
when school is in session

At the high or elementary school by appointment.
Telephone Monson 67-2 (office) or Brimfield 344 (residence).

Secretary to the Superintendent

HELYNN S. HALEY

Office Telephone—Monson 67-2

Residence—Monson 67-3

Office Hours

8:30 a. m. to 12:00 m. — 1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.
when school is in session

School Physician	HARRY A. ROSENBLUM, M. D.
School Nurse	LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.
Supervisor of Attendance	EDWARD SHEERAN

Hours of School Sessions

High School: 8:45 to 12:04 — 12:45 to 3:00

Elementary: 8:45 to 12:00 — 12:55 to 2:55

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL — Three long blasts at 7:30 a. m.

Beatrice H. MacConnell will have charge of notifying the townspeople when there will be no session of school.

Entering Age of Children

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1947-1948

1947

- October 13 Monday—Schools closed—Observance of Columbus Day
- October 24 Friday—Schools closed—Hampden County Teachers' Association Convention
- November 11 Tuesday—Schools closed—Armistice Day
- November 26 Wednesday—Schools close at 12:30 for Thanksgiving recess November 27 and 28
- December 1 Monday—Schools reopen
- December 23 Tuesday—Schools close at 2:30 p. m. for Christmas vacation

1948

- January 5 Monday—Schools reopen
- February 20 Friday—Schools close for Midwinter vacation
- March 1 Monday—Schools reopen
- March 26 Friday—Schools closed—Good Friday
- April 19 Monday—Schools closed—Patriots' Day
- April 23 Friday—Schools close for Spring vacation
- May 3 Monday—Schools reopen
- May 31 Monday—Schools closed—Observance of Memorial Day
- June 11 Friday—Elementary schools close for summer vacation
- June 18 Friday—High school closes for summer vacation

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my sixth report as superintendent of schools. This report includes the reports of the school physician, school nurse and statistical tables relating to the operation of the schools.

STAFF

The following teachers have been appointed to the teaching staff: Louise Dickinson, Grades 4 and 5; Mary Letellier, Grade 6; Alice Motyka, Grade 8. The work in the commercial department has been carried on by substitute teachers pending the appointment of a permanent teacher.

Elizabeth Wells was assigned the principalship of the elementary school during the absence of Ruth L. Fiske. George L. Richards will assume the duties of music supervisor January 5, 1948.

PLANT

Repairs have been held to a minimum this year. Window ledges had to be replaced and all window wells cemented at the elementary school. Other expenditures have been only what was necessary because of breakdowns. The commercial room at the high school was re-decorated.

School population has reached a point where it is necessary to add more rooms at the elementary school. There are several ways of meeting this situation and be-

fore any definite recommendations are made, a full study of population trends, at both schools, must be made. This much is evident: school population is increasing and we have reached the limit of our capacity. We now must refuse to accept any additional tuition pupils or expand our school plant.

SCHOOLS IN A WORLD OF ECONOMY

Twenty-four months ago we were faced with the stupendous task of converting our economy from the production of war materials to that of peacetime consumer goods. This always results in inequalities reflected in rising prices.

The past twelve months have been characterized by various attempts to stabilize prices and increase production. We are not too sure about what the future holds in store because prices are still mounting and many items that are essential for the operation of schools are unobtainable. Functional schools require adequate materials and must be taught by competent teachers working under a salary schedule that permits the best instruction obtainable.

The most tangible hope for universal peace still rests in our educational program; we must educate our children to have an unflinching faith in the American Way of Life and hold those truths as a sacred trust that is to be passed down to future generations. An understanding of world problems may sound as though it had no place in a school program, but it has. The deliberations of the representatives of all nations, in the United Nations Assembly, will result in stability or instability for all nations of the earth.

We in America have elected to extend a helping hand to less fortunate countries by sending them food and clothing regardless of any former status. People must

live as good neighbors before countries can be expected to settle differences without future wars. It evolves upon the schools to teach tolerance and understanding; to encourage each pupil to make the most of his opportunities and work for the good of all.

Many European schools have been recognized as being highly efficient, but it is apparent that there was something lacking in their basic objectives because they produced a race that did not know the meaning of brotherly love. We have sent educators into the devastated areas to reorganize the schools because our leaders realize that no social order can survive without an educational program that teaches those cardinal virtues that we here in this country take for granted.

The whole world looks to us for leadership and guidance. The effectiveness of that leadership will be determined by our own schools because our pupils today will be the leaders tomorrow.

HEALTH

The function of the health program is purely preventative. Children are susceptible to so-called "children's diseases" and periodically a number of cases develop within a short period of time. These are readily recognized, run their course and result in varying degrees of immunity, but they may leave their mark in the form of defective hearing or vision. These results are not always apparent and a pupil may be called "dull" when his real difficulty is a chronic physical defect.

Schools prescribe no treatment but aim to inform parents of these defects before they reach the advanced stage and recommend that prompt action be taken to aid the situation. Reports of the school physician indicate that the general health conditions in our schools is above average, but this is no reason to assume that the health program should not be expanded.

FINANCES

The size of the school budget is not a true index of the cost of education in the Town of Brimfield because of the amount of reimbursement received from the Commonwealth. It is true that the amount of money appropriated for the support of schools has increased each year, but this is to be expected when it is realized that every item from fuel to text books has increased in cost. Add to this the fact that the school population has increased beyond all expectations and one can understand that school appropriations are being kept at a minimum. Our teachers are being paid far below the State average, and more money must be allocated to teachers' salaries if we hope to obtain the services of competent teachers. It is reported that there is a bill being presented at the next session of the Legislature which would establish a minimum salary of \$2,000 per year for class room teachers, and under present economic conditions this figure is inadequate.

Massachusetts was short 300 teachers as of December 1, 1947 and the principal reason is that industry can afford to pay higher wages than can be received in the teaching profession. This situation is unfortunate because we can maintain the type of schools we want only when we can compete with industry in the matter of salaries. The school department scrutinizes every expenditure and strives to get full value for every dollar expended.

CONCLUSIONS

I wish to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, teachers, parents and town officials for their whole-hearted cooperation in the operation of our schools. The home and the school must work together to make available for young people the best possible educational opportunities. Society demands much of the individual

and it is the function of the school to train our boys and girls to accept the challenge of society.

Education is big business; the leaders of tomorrow are now in our schools, and what we do with them determines the type of society that we are building. May we ever recognize this responsibility and not be found wanting.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

Appendix A

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I submit my sixth annual report as principal of
Brimfield High School.

School opened September 3, 1947 with an enrollment
of 115 pupils. This continues the slow but steady growth
in enrollment over the past five years.

The most important problem in the High School is
the difficulty that comes from trying to fit a modern
educational practice into an adequate building. If we are
to assume that the people of Brimfield want a high school
education for all its normal youths, now is the time to
start planning changes that need to be made. Our aca-
demic course is doing well as is shown by the fourteen
graduates who are doing creditable work in college or ad-
vanced training in schools at the present time. I am con-
cerned, however, about those pupils that drop out before
graduation because they cannot, or will not, profit from
the work offered in an academic curricula. The function
of the school must be to make the best possible citizens
of all the children of the community.

This year a battery of tests was given to grades 11 and 12 with the cooperation of Boston University. The results show that our pupils are above the New England average for those grades. These test results make it possible for us to give advice in regard to choice of study, and guidance toward a life work. In addition to the Boston University tests, we have completed a testing program, using standardized tests, on all pupils.

Information revealed by these tests will be discussed with the pupils and their parents.

All teachers are cooperating in carrying on extra-curricula work in speaking, dramatics, music, club work, athletics and home room activities. We feel that these activities do much in developing right attitudes and good school spirit.

Our Student Council is active in the life of the school and continues to be the best practice for democratic living that the pupils can experience.

I wish to thank you, the school committee, teachers and parents for your hearty cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. BRUCE

Appendix B

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The yearly health examinations were made by Dr. Harry Rosenblum of Fiskdale, school physician. At the elementary school one-hundred and twenty children were examined and notices sent to parents regarding defects needing correction. Fourteen of the children needed dental care, one had a throat condition, one a skin infection and one a heart condition. At the high school thirteen children needed dental care and ten had throat conditions, two enlarged glands and three had slight heart murmurs.

In January and February clinics were held at the school and town hall to immunize the children against diphtheria. Dr. James Bush of Monson gave the treatments. Seventy-five high school, elementary and pre-school children received the three regular doses and one-hundred twenty-two high and elementary school children were given the "Booster" dose to strengthen their immunity.

Appointments were made for one child to attend the Child Guidance Clinic at Springfield and for four children to go to the Speech Clinic. Five children were taken to a physician's office for special treatment.

There were ten home calls made. Vision and hearing tests were made and the children were weighed and measured. The Massachusetts Vision Testing equipment was loaned by the State Department of Health and was used at the high school.

Respectfully submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.

Appendix C

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR

I herewith submit my report as school physician for the year 1947.

As is customary, the formal school health program opened with the physical examination of the children. On the whole, the children appear to be well nourished and reasonably free of defects. Miss Young, who assisted at these examinations, has notified parents of any cases where remedial measures are necessary.

However, a school health program cannot be confined to an annual inspection. In every activity, whether in the schoolroom or on the playground, the health program is being carried on by the teachers in stressing good posture, proper foods, healthful play, and all the habits that contribute to the making of a sound and happy student body.

Ultimately, the school health program can only function at its best when every parent cooperates by following the highest health standards in the home.

I express my appreciation to Miss Young for kind assistance and to the faculty for their many courtesies.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY A. ROSENBLUM, M. D.

Appendix D
Directory of School Staff
December 31, 1947

Position	Name	Training	Institution Attended	Years Service in Brimfield	Total Years Service
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd	B.S. Ed.M.	University of N. H.	6	27
Secretary to the Superintendent	Helynn S. Haley	*	Bay Path Institute	11	12
High School					
Commercial	†Evelyn B. Landen	*	Bay Path Institute	2	3
English Math., Science Sci., Soc. Studies Music	†Hazel M. Orcutt	*	Bay Path Institute		
	Eugenia F. Tarbell	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	13	16
	Freda B. Stegner	A.B.	Mount Holyoke	16	24
	Robert E. Bruce, Principal	B.S.	University of N. H.	6	19
	‡Wendell B. Phillips	Mus.B.	Boston University	4	6
Household Arts	§Moline P. Cheney	B.S.	Univ. of Tennessee	5	12
Manual Training	§John Rainka	B.S. in Ed.	Fitchburg S.T.C.	9	12
					82

Elementary School

I	Edna Peterson	B.S.	Boston University	2	13
II	Gladys Webber	Ed.M.			
III	Elizabeth W. Wells, Acting Principal	*	Westfield Normal Westminster	8 1	33 16
IV-V	Louise Dickinson	B.S.			
		*	Ferry School, New England Conservatory	0	0
VI	Mary Letellier	B.A.	Our Lady of Elms	0	0
VII	Mary Gaudette			3	28
VIII	Alice Motyka	B.A.	University of Mass.	0	0
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			5	5

* Diploma

§ Part-Time

† Substitute Commercial Teachers

‡ Resigned October 10, 1947

Appendix E — Table I
ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1947
As of October 1

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 years or over and under 21
Total in Town			
Boys	18	109	
Girls	17	94	
	<hr/>	<hr/>	
Total	35	203	
In public school	21	194	
In continuation school			
In vocational school			
In private school	1	6	
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		1	
Not enrolled in any school	13	2	
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Total	35	203	

Appendix E—Table II
Grade—Age Table
(As of October, 1947)

Age Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
I	3	15	3	1												22
II		4	12	7	1	1										25
III			5	12	6	5										28
IV				2	10	5	1	1								19
V					3	7	5	1	1	1						18
VI						2	15	5		1	1					24
VII							1	14	3	2						20
VIII								4	12	2	4	2				24
IX									2	13	8	3				26
X										10	14	1	1			26
XI											3	4				7
XII												7	4	1	1	13
Total	3	19	20	22	20	20	22	25	18	29	30	17	5	1	1	252

Appendix F

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS—1947

GENERAL EXPENSES

H. M. Ladd	\$1,241.56
Helynn S. Haley	456.25
New. Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	110.15
Beatrice MacConnell	75.00
Clark Hayward	75.00
Henry Lach	75.00
Edward Sheeran	27.00
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	5.16
John Manter	25.00
Palmer Register, Inc.	7.75
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	\$2,097.87

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Robert Bruce	\$3,000.00
Wendell Phillips	439.00
Freda Stegner	2,150.00
Eugenia Tarbell	2,150.00
Morine Cheney	650.00
John Rainka	742.00
Mary Parker	152.00
Margaret Garvey	1,080.00
Evelyn Landen	400.00
Hazel Orcutt	229.00
Arline Smith	1,080.00
Alice Motyka	720.00
Mary Gaudette	1,800.00
Jessie Munroe	180.00
Louise Dickinson	360.00
Elizabeth Wells	1,787.50
Mary Letellier	680.00

Mary Peterson	1,800.00
Gladys Webber	1,820.00
Ruth Fiske	1,121.25
Helen Connors	1,080.00
Madeline Harrington	112.00
Marie Maddocks	8.00
Doris Phillips	8.00

\$23,548.75

TEXTBOOKS

Scott, Foresman & Co.	204.11
Am. Bk. Co.	54.31
So-West. Pub. Co.	35.09
Mainco Trading Co.	20.56
Bobbs-Merrill Co.	8.03
D. C. Heath Co.	117.58
Ginn & Co.	57.09
Webster Pub. Co.	5.17
Ed. E. Babb & Co.	14.63
Houghton Mifflin Co.	13.70
Beckley Cardy	11.72
L. W. Singer Co.	7.66
Lyons-Carnahan Co.	19.87
Laidlaw Bros.	51.73
MacMillan Co.	28.19
Iroquois Pub. Co.	6.98
C. C. Birchard Co.	35.19
Gregg Pub. Co.	12.41
World Book Co.	25.37

\$729.39

SUPPLIES

Ed. E. Babb & Co.	61.16
J. L. Hammett Co.	323.74

Carlisle Hardware Co.	7.67	
Broadhead-Garrett Co.	103.51	
Mittag-Volger, Inc.	16.70	
McKinley Co.	1.64	
Cambosco Sci. Co.	50.45	
Morine Cheney	91.51	
Rice, Gadaire Co.	50.00	
	<hr/>	706.38

WAGES OF JANITORS

Edward Sheeran	1,999.92	
D. H. Wells, Jr.	9.00	
	<hr/>	2,008.92

FUEL

Southbridge Coal Co.	999.50	
Haley's Grain Store	523.03	
Squier & Co.	286.41	
	<hr/>	1,808.94

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Worc. County Elec. Co.	347.26	
Hatch's Village Store	71.86	
Webster Co.	7.42	
Frank Bros.	96.00	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	216.45	
C. B. Dolge Co.	63.03	
Faulkner Hardware Co.	12.17	
Texol Chemical Works	6.00	
	<hr/>	820.19

REPAIRS

W. C. Rackliffe	3.00	
E. W. Fisher	11.55	
Faulkner Hardware Co.	4.28	
Brimfield Garage	1.25	
E. O. Cournoyer	217.15	
	<hr/>	237.23

LIBRARIES

M.L.A. Publications	1.50	
Quarrie Corp.	83.75	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	9.34	
Prentice-Hall Co.	2.50	
	<hr/>	97.09

HEALTH

Luella I. Young	4.12	
Hampden County T. B. Ass'n.	200.00	
Harry A. Rosenblum	75.00	
C. C. Birchard Co.	2.95	
	<hr/>	282.07

TRANSPORTATION

Arthur Brown	2,114.20	
George Freeman	1,298.00	
George Freeman	1,496.00	
William Spooner	1,456.00	
Charles Wheeler	620.24	
Sam Adams	243.00	
	<hr/>	7,227.44

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Makepeace Press	29.50	
Freda B. Stegner	.96	
Rev. John H. Miller	25.00	
Palmer Register	10.00	
Com. of Public Safety	10.00	
W. J. Mullen	3.50	
J. L. Hammett	21.20	
Victor Howlett	10.00	
Town of Brimfield	17.57	
		\$127.73

NEW EQUIPMENT

Springfield Office Supply Co.	303.00	
		303.00

SUMMARY

	Expenditures 1947	Estimates 1948
General expenses	2,097.87	2,130.00
Expenses of instruction		
Teachers' salaries	23,548.75	24,600.00
Textbooks	729.39	645.00
Supplies	706.38	645.00
Expenses of operating:		
Wages of Janitor	2,008.92	2,000.00
Fuel	1,808.94	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	820.19	1,000.00
Maintenance (repairs)	237.23	200.00
Auxiliary Agencies:		
Libraries	97.09	115.00
Health	282.07	300.00

Transportation	7,227.44	7,600.00
Miscellaneous	127.73	150.00
New equipment	303.00	300.00
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$39,995.00	\$41,485.00
Total appropriation, 1947	\$39,995.00	
Total expenditures, 1947	39,995.00	
Balance, 1947		00

Appendix G

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS

Total appropriation, 1947	\$39,995.00
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Receipts:

From Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part I	3,420.00	
General School Fund, Part II	3,641.55	
High School Grant	1,000.00	
An account of superintendent and travel	483.33	
Tuition and transportation of state wards	4,973.87	
Tuition, non-resident pupils	2,359.20	
Income that must be expended for the support of schools	2,000.00	
Transportation (Chap. 71, s7A)	5,899.50	
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Total Receipts		\$23,777.45
NET COST TO TOWN		<hr/> \$16,217.55

Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the first day of March, 1948 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare; one School Committee member, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years.

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 P. M.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement and purchase of town machinery, for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 11. To elect one Trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place of the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. to procure a set of preliminary plans for the addition to the Elementary School Building, or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25. to be expended in the town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture.

according to the provisions of Chapter 128, Section 42 of the General Laws.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide a town garage for the housing of town equipment or take any action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of the so-called Fogg lot containing approximately five and one half acres adjacent to the southerly boundary of the cemetery for cemetery purposes.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of February, 1948.

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

WILLIAM G. HAVERLY

Selectmen of Brimfield

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TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Brimfield



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.
Palmer, Mass.
1949

Town Officers — 1948

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

†HERBERT A. FOGG

Selectmen

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Assessors

JOHN P. MOORE

Term expires 1949

JOHN M. HALEY

Term expires 1950

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Term expires 1951

School Committee

HENRY LACH

Term expires 1949

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Term expires 1950

FRANCES J. LEMMELIN

Term expires 1951

Board of Public Welfare

EVELYN B. LANDEN

Term expires 1949

LLEWELLYN B. NORTON

Term expires 1950

JAMES A. G. HOYT

Term expires 1951

Cemetery Commission

CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1949
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1950
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1951

Library Trustees

JOHN G. MANTER	Term expires 1949
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1949
EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1950
BARBARA L. WHEELER	Removed from town
IRVING P. SHERMAN	Term expires 1951
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1951

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE	HARRY B. LANDEN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	HENRY LACH
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1949
ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1950
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1951

Jury List

LESLIE C. DEWEY	IRVING J. PRATT
FREDERICK L. WORBY*	RONALD M. LUCIER*
THOMAS D. STONE	RICHARD J. BROWN
WARREN H. CAMPBELL	LLEWELLYN B. NORTON
JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY	

* Drawn

†Retired on account of ill health after faithfully serving the town as tax collector for twenty-seven consecutive years. Mrs. Alma L. Fogg was appointed temporary collector January 10, 1949 to fill unexpired term.

Appointive Town Officers 1948

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

GEORGE B. SHERMAN

Chief Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

HARRY B. LANDEN

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Sealer of Weights & Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. JAMES F. BUSH

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Measurer Wood & Bark**J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE****Field Drivers**

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE ERNEST DEMERS
WARREN G. BREVELERI

Fence Viewers

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
ALBERT S. FRYE

Dog Officer**CHESTER H. NORTON****Town Counsel****ERNEST E. HOBSON****Finance Committee**

THOMAS S. MAGRATH	Term expires 1949
SAMUEL ORMSBEE	Term expires 1949
RAYMOND LEMMELIN	Term expires 1949
FENTON R. HASTINGS	Term expires 1950
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1950
THOMAS D. STONE	Term expires 1950
HOWARD GERBRACHT	Term expires 1951
LEO LAVIGNE	Term expires 1951
HERMAN HAVEN	Term expires 1951

Town Clerk's Report

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

90 Resident Fishing
 37 Resident Women's and Minor's Fishing
 4 Special Non-Resident Fishing
 54 Resident Hunting
 2 Non-Resident Hunting
 64 Resident Sporting
 12 Resident Sporting (Free)
 1 Resident Citizen Military Sporting (Free)
 2 Resident Trapping
 1 Duplicate

DOGS LICENSED—1948

119 Male @ \$2.00	\$238.00	
34 Female @ \$5.00	170.00	
49 Spayed @ \$2.00	98.00	
3 Kennel @ \$25.00	75.00	
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		\$581.00
Less Clerk's fees, 205 @ 20¢		41.00
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Balance paid Treasurer		\$540.00

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
January		
28	Phillip Louis Johnston, 2nd	Phillip L. and Lorraine Knitter
30	Bruce Allen Morrison	Carl L. and Helen L. Lincoln
February		
11	Joseph Korsak	Stanley P. and Mary Siok
12	Rita Cecile Racicot	Joseph C. and Dora M. Cournoyer
March		
5	Linda Kay Burnham	Walter J. and Florence M. Brennan
15	Kenneth Raymond Lucier	Richard R. and Yvonne M. F. Racicot
29	Richard David Bradway	Richard E. and Roberta J. Patterson
April		
14	Walter Arnold Stred, Jr.	Walter A. and Shirley A. McLaughlin
May		
28	Harry Alphonse Miner	Theodore and Rita Brunell
June		
29	John Walter Fountain	Francis and Gertrude Ouellette
July		
10	Norma Dorothy Jensen	Albert R. and Dorothy P. Miller
14	Louis Eugene Martin, Jr.	Louis E. and Marie H. Curran
August		
27	Amelie Rives Davis	William C. and Julia Evans
September		
18	Andrew Bernard Cadieux	Clifford J. and Anita C. St. Pierre
25	Priscilla Jean Sherman	John L. and Pia E. Bracci
30	Richard Edward Hitchcock	John E. and Norma R. Hemphill

Date	Name	Parents
October		
13	Frank Gifford Landen	Everett D. and Helen Gifford
17	Robert Clark Pease, 2nd	Robert W. and Sybil M. Dickinson
20	William Livermore Bryan	Howard E. and Irene J. Wells
24	Sharon Frances Craite	Norman P. and Helene F. Strout

November

5	Edward Thomas Chaffee	Ralph M. and Lillian C. Bentley
14	Nancy May Bliss	William F. and Beatrice E. Macumber
16	Kathleen Elizabeth Mantha	Ralph J. and Rachel M. Boucher
27	Deborah Jean Loux	Donald J. and Violet G. Wunsch

December

7	Raymond Boyce Cartee	Kenneth M. and Evelyn E. Boyce
7	Susan Emily Spooner	William D. and Juliane Lautenbach

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
1	Lester J. LeMay	Monson	Victoria Cecelia Hull	Monson
3	Emil Puchta	Fiskdale	Louise Gagliardi	W. Brookfield
14	Edward J. Pikul	Palmer	Ruth P. Ackley	Monson
24	Francis E. Fountain		Gertrude L. Ouellette	
		Brimfield		Springfield

February

5	Robert W. Pease	Brimfield	Sybil M. Dickinson	Brimfield
7	James N. Wesson	Brimfield	Lorraine Marie Gillette	W. Springfield

April

3	Edward J. Waleski	Brimfield	Irene Alice Julian	Sturbridge
3	George E. Roberts	Brimfield	Norma M. Edwards	Palmer

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
May				
1	Fred Zitka	Holland	Lena Dora Racicot	Brimfield
16	Robert E. Arnold	Palmer	Sally E. Pease	Brimfield
June				
14	Leopold Potorski	Chicopee	Rachel C. Swanson	Chicopee
26	Rocco Verrilli	Harrison, N. Y.	Barbara J. Stegner	Brimfield
July				
5	John F. Sheeran	Brimfield	Hazel J. Dwyer	Monson
20	John Landen Sherman	Brimfield	Pia Edith Bracci	Wales
31	William E. Pascale	Monson	Barbara E. Chaffee	Brimfield
August				
7	William X. Pratt	Brimfield	Gertrude M. Killian	Brimfield
21	Timothy J. Denning	Palmer	Margaret J. Brown	Brimfield
21	Alphons Edward Radzik	Charlton	Ethel Mary Mantha (Crandell)	Charlton
22	Thaddeus Cygan	Ludlow	Caroline A. Siok	Brimfield
September				
18	Milton G. Freeman	Southbridge	Lillian E. Worby	Brimfield
19	John H. Stanton	Brimfield	Priscilla Blake	Springfield
25	Clarence H. Keith	Brimfield	Barbara L. Wood	Brimfield
October				
30	Gerard C. Fontaine	Brimfield	Victoria M. Adamsky	Auburn
November				
2	Charles Paine	Wheeler Brimfield	Helen Landen Phifer	Brimfield
6	Chester W. Puskey	Warren	Pearl R. Langevin	Warren
20	John Holding Anderson	Southbridge	Dorothy Julia Hicks	Brimfield
25	Howard E. Boyd	Providence, R. I.	Grace H. Nichols	Brimfield
December				
11	Paul Lasley Hudson	Washington, D. C.	Charlotte MacLean Day	Brimfield

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
4	Gladys May (Fenton) Hastings	50	9	5
14	James Hannon	84	—	—
15	Howard Ernest Booth	66	4	21
17	William Fox	81	7	17
31	Marshall S. Allen	80	—	—
February				
11	Joseph Korsak	—	—	—
15	Alexandrina (Fraser) Skinner	90	2	7
20	Bertie E. Campbell	78	—	11
May				
18	William C. Davenport	80	3	11
June				
14	Myron W. Cartee	79	11	25
16	Lionel Letourneau	32	10	—
July				
6	John W. Fountain	—	—	7
August				
10	Exilda Poirier	65	6	8
12	Eliza E. Rogers	73	6	15
November				
6	Edward Thomas Chaffee	—	—	2
27	Deborah Jean Loux	—	—	2 hrs.

BURIALS FROM OTHER PLACES

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
March				
17	Frederic Abraham Charles of Charlemont, Mass.	85	—	7
May				
30	Elizabeth Merritt	66	5	1
October				
11	Albert F. Converse of Springfield	65	11	6
November				
5	Dora Ferrell of Springfield	79	1	13
14	Florence M. Smith of Warren	77	—	—
December				
18	Horace M. Brown of New Britain, Conn.	72	3	15
24	Harold Butterfield of Philadelphia, Pa.	67	—	—

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

Two Special Town Meetings were held in 1948. On September 11th. \$2,000.00 was voted to procure working plans and specifications for an addition to the present Elementary School; \$1,000.00 for Old Age Assistance; \$130.00 for the Library; and \$215.40 for Insurance—all from available funds. \$3,240.00 was voted from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

December 13th it was voted to raise and appropriate \$150.00 for the Library; \$111.04 for Insurance; \$500.00 for Charity; and \$2,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

The binding of Vital Statistics, up to and including 1947, has been completed according to law.

For the convenience of all it has seemed best to institute office hours at a place where one would have access to records, files, and working material. The Town Hall is such a place. Therefore, until further notice the Town Hall will be open week-days except Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 P.M., and Monday and Thursday evenings from 7-9. At other times, please phone 249. Before fishing and hunting season the office will be open extra hours for issuing licenses. Any change of schedule will be published in the papers and notices will be posted at the Post-Office.

I wish to thank all who have helped to make this arrangement possible.

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Town Clerk

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue — Taxes

Current Year	\$36,854.90
Previous Years	6,523.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	4,591.83
Income Tax	12,815.07
Corporation Tax	3,270.68
Reimb. Loss of Taxes (State)	509.76
Meals Tax	286.30
Classified Forest Land Tax 1948	848.40
Classified Forest Land Tax 1947	279.22
Tax Title Sale	153.44
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	\$66,132.60

Grants and Gifts from State

High School Grant	\$1,000.00
Mass. School Fund	2,715.77
Vocational Education	199.21
Union Superintendent (2 years)	982.56
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	\$ 4,897.54
From County, Dog Fund	441.56
Sealer's Fees	11.96
Licenses:	
Liquor	1,350.00
All Other	66.00

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	5,278.30
Aid to Dependent Children	650.83
Rent of Town Hall	537.00

HIGHWAYS

From State	\$15,895.20
From County	2,599.98
Town Machinery	8,077.83
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	\$26,573.11

Charities

Relief from State	\$ 477.36
Relief from other Towns	35.46
Old Age Assistance from State	4,380.45
Aid to Dep. Children from State	986.87
O. A. A. from other towns	115.85
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	\$ 5,995.99

Schools

Tuition, town of Wales	\$5,996.28*
Tuition of State Wards	4,727.08
H. F. A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00
Sale of Material	15.70
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	\$12,739.06

Miscellaneous

Court Fines	\$360.00
Library Fines	11.37
Reimb. for digging graves	120.00
Reimb. for foundations	68.75

Reimb. for Forest Fire	63.75	
Sale of snowplow wings	50.00	
Demands on Poll Taxes	20.65	
Comp. Insurance added to Fund	365.91	
Premium Adjustment Comp. Ins.	25.18	
	<hr/>	\$1,085.61

Interest

On Taxes	\$185.80	
On tax title sold	11.56	
Perpetual Care Funds	251.22	
Library Trust Funds	233.87	
Cemetery Wall Fund	35.00	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	160.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 877.45

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in anticipation of revenue	\$15,000.00	
Loan in anticipation of reimb.	14,175.00	
		\$29,175.00
* \$810.07 refunded to Wales		

Agency and Trust

Dog licenses for County	\$ 540.00	
Withholding tax	3,632.50	
Funds for perpetual care	200.00	
		\$ 4,372.50
Refunds	2,100.68	
		162,285.19
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Cash on hand beginning of year		26,839.30
	<hr/>	\$189,124.49

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries	\$ 750.00
Moderator	12.50
Printing, postage, etc.	35.34
Association dues	13.00
Dog Officer	102.28
Filing fees	6.00
Telephone	7.90
All Other	111.10
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	\$1,038.12
Balance	11.88
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Appropriation	\$1,050.00

Town Accountant

Salary	\$540.00
Printing, postage, etc.	33.01
Other	1.12
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	\$574.13
Balance	50.87
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Appropriation	\$625.00

Treasurer

Salary	\$500.00
Clerical assistance	50.00
Printing, postage, etc.	96.20
Surety bond	39.00

Insurance	35.00
Deposit box rent	6.00
Travel expense	22.00
Other	1.80
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Appropriation	\$750.00

Tax Collector

Salary	\$550.00
Surety Bond	59.00
Printing, postage, etc.	152.44
Telephone	5.20
Dues	1.00
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	\$767.64
Balance	32.36
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Appropriation	\$800.00

Assessors

Salaries	\$600.00
Clerical assistance	150.00
Printing, postage, etc.	92.70
Association dues	6.00
Travel expense	72.00
Telephone	2.50
Registry service	25.58
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	\$948.78
Balance	1.22
Carried to 1949	500.00
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Appropriation	\$1,450.00

Town Clerk

Salary	\$200.00
Recording fees	63.50
Printing, postage, etc.	35.23
Surety bond	7.50
Binding	21.44
Other	20.90
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	\$348.57
Balance	1.43
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Appropriation	\$350.00

Election and Registration

Registrars	\$ 34.80
Election Officers	195.60
Printing	96.51
Street Lists	58.00
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	\$384.91
Balance	.09
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Appropriation	\$385.00

Certifying Notes

Certification	\$ 4.00
Balance	6.00
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Appropriation	\$ 10.00

Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	100.00

Town Hall

Salary, Janitor	\$480.00	
Fuel	341.75	
Light	61.32	
Janitor's Supplies	37.50	
Repairs	230.87	
Tables	50.00	
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	\$1,201.44	
Balance	98.56	
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Appropriation	\$1,300.00	
Total, General Government		\$6,117.59

PROTECTION OF PERSONS and PROPERTY

Police

Constables' Services	\$136.75	
Flasher current	13.44	
Badges	6.61	
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	\$156.80	
Balance	43.20	
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Appropriation	\$200.00	

Fire Department

Salary, Chief	\$50.00
Fire pay rolls	203.80
Oil permits	124.00
Fire permits	21.00
Insurance	221.55
Storage & Repairs	531.63

Telephone	33.84	
Special repairs	555.74	
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	\$1,749.56	
Balance	6.18	
	\$1,755.74	\$1,755.74
Appropriation	\$1,200.00	
Balance from 1947	467.91	
Refund Federal tax	25.09	
Refund, old engine	62.74	
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		\$1,755.74

Gypsy Moth Suppression

Labor	\$238.71	
Transportation	24.00	
Comp. Insurance	11.70	
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	\$274.41	
Balance	25.59	
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Appropriation	\$300.00	

Tree Warden

Salary	\$25.00	
Other	20.70	
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	\$45.70	
Balance	29.30	
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Appropriation	\$75.00	

Sealer of Weights & Measures

Salary	\$50.00	
Transportation	8.00	

Equipment	6.16	
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	\$64.16	
Balance	.84	
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Appropriation	\$65.00	
Total, Protection Persons and Property		\$2,290.63

Health

Slaughtering Inspections	\$44.32
Balance	255.68
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Appropriation	\$300.00

HIGHWAYS

Chapter 81

Labor	\$4,338.57	
Machinery	7,413.06	
Materials	6,119.75	
Comp. Insurance	137.35	
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	\$18,008.73	\$18,008.73
State allotment	14,175.00	
Town appropriation	2,520.00	
Trans. from Gen'l Highway	88.99	
Refund, Barrett Co.	1,224.74	
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		\$18,008.73

Chapter 90 Construction

Labor	\$ 2,592.66
Hired machinery	3,329.30
Town machinery	1,811.57

Materials	2,637.77	
Compensation Ins.	81.27	
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	\$10,452.57	
Bal. carried to 1949	193.65	
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		\$10,646.22
Town appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State allotment	3,000.00	
County allotment	3,000.00	
Balance from 1947	2,629.35	
Disallowances by State	16.87	
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		\$10,646.22

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$ 290.00	
Hired Machinery	348.15	
Town machinery	251.91	
Materials	1,868.70	
Compensation Ins.	1.12	
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		\$ 2,760.87
Town Appropriation	\$700.00	
State allotment	700.00	
County allotment	700.00	
Refund Barrett Co.	637.12	
Trans. from Reserve Fund	23.75	
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		\$ 2,760.87

General Highway

Labor	\$3,638.33
Hired machinery	1,452.25
Town machinery	2,901.97

Materials	368.88
Compensation Ins.	77.99
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	\$8,439.42
Trans. to Chap. 81	88.99
Trans. to Chap. 90	14.67
Balance	756.92
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Appropriation	\$9,300.00

Street Lighting

Worc. County Electric Co.	\$930.96
Balance	.04
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	\$931.00

Machinery Account

Labor	\$ 331.42	
Insurance	264.62	
Rent	100.00	
Gas and Oil	1,143.29	
Supplies, repairs and storage	4,591.02	
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	\$6,430.35	
Trans. to fund	3,033.18	
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Appropriation	\$9,463.53	
Total, Highways		\$47,022.90

Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board	\$150.00
Cash relief granted	344.30
Medicine & medical care	1,184.90

Relief by other towns	1,785.91
Burial expense	158.50
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	\$3,652.17
Balance	347.83
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Appropriation	\$4,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Funds available from 1947	\$471.21
Federal Grants 1948	5,133.76
Town appropriation	8,000.00
Recovery	52.67
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	\$13,657.64
Cash grants	13,468.46
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Balance in town appropriation	\$189.18

Old Age Assistance, Administration

Funds available from 1947	\$16.01	
Federal grants 1948	202.29	
Town appropriation	300.00	
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	\$518.30	
Salaries & Services	438.90	\$79.40
Balance in Federal funds	\$69.33	
Balance in town appropriation	10.07	
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		\$79.40

Aid to Dependent Children

Funds available from 1947	\$46.73
Federal grants 1948	645.00

Town appropriation	2,500.00	
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	\$3,191.73	
Cash grants	2,749.97	
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		\$441.76
Balance in Federal funds	\$12.13	
Balance in town appropriation	429.63	
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		\$441.76

Aid to Dependent Children, Administration

Balance in Federal funds	\$9.84
Federal grant 1948	5.83
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Balance to 1949	\$15.67

Military Service Assessment

Raised by Assessors	\$605.50
Expended	605.50

Veterans' Benefits

Cash grants	\$114.74
Medical services	16.50
Groceries	23.90
Fuel	10.50
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	\$165.64
Balance	34.36
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Appropriation	\$200.00

Trade School Tuition

Tuition paid Southbridge	\$77.70
Tuition paid Springfield	315.67
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	\$393.37
Balance	47.02
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	\$440.39
Refund, overpayment	40.39
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Appropriation	\$400.00

Schools

General Administration	\$2,174.18
Teachers' salaries	24,911.00
Text books & supplies	1,917.86
Janitor service	1,999.92
Fuel & light	1,752.31
Repairs	219.57
Health	275.00
Transportation	7,724.04
Janitor's supplies	31.31
New Equipment	681.73
Drainage at center school	187.50
Inspection boilers	10.00
Graduation exercises	47.46
All other	65.00
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	\$ 41,996.88
Balance	3.12
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Appropriation	\$42,000.00

Library

Salary, Librarian	\$600.00
Assistant, East Brimfield	26.00
Janitor	180.00
Books	101.33
Periodicals	56.15
Fuel	349.13
Light	32.32
Removing trees	142.00
Insurance	78.84
Repairs	70.08
Other	.45

 \$1,636.30

Balance	19.13
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\$1,655.43

Town appropriation	\$980.00
Dog Fund	441.56
Income from funds	122.70
Inc. from Lincoln Building fund	111.17

 \$1,655.43

Common

Labor	\$65.14
Repairs to mower	30.62
Other	3.62

 \$99.38

Balance	150.62
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Appropriation	\$250.00
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Memorial Day

Music	\$25.00
Plants	59.55
Flags	25.31
Other	1.20
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	\$111.06
Balance	13.94
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Appropriation	\$125.00

Insurance, property

Premiums paid	\$510.80
Balance	15.64
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Appropriation	\$ 526.44

Compensation Insurance

Premium paid	\$424.62
Bal. transferred to fund	63.25
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Appropriation	\$487.87

Pension Fund

Appropriation	\$136.70
Expended	136.70

Plans for Schoolhouse addition

Appropriation	\$2,200.00
Expended	200.00
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Balance to 1949	\$2,000.00

Aid to Agriculture

Appropriation	\$25.00
Expended	25.00

Town Reports

Printing	\$297.00
Postage	10.98
Typing and Mailing	20.00
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	\$327.98
Balance	22.02
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Appropriation	\$350.00

Interest

On temporary loans	\$77.81
On Highway loans	76.50
On Schoolhouse bonds	340.00
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	\$494.31
Balance	45.69
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Appropriation	\$540.00

Cemetery

Labor	\$487.05
Supplies & Repairs	248.74
Compensation Insurance	6.20
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	\$741.99
Balance	93.01
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\$835.00

Town appropriation	\$800.00
From Cemetery Wall Fund	35.00

\$835.00

Purchase of Land for Cemetery

Appropriation	\$335.00
From Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	215.00

\$550.00

Expended	550.00
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Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$15,000.00
Highway Loan	14,175.00
Schoolhouse bond	2,000.00

\$31,175.00

Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$521.05
County Tax	1,773.59
Dog Licenses for County	540.00
Perpetual Care Funds	251.22
Perpetual Care Funds deposited	200.00
Withholding Tax (for Fed. Gov't)	3,632.50
Int. on Gov't bonds deposited	160.00
Edgar Brown Playground Fund	121.22

Refunds:

Poll & Property Tax	63.20
M. V. Excise Tax	118.74
Town of Wales	810.07

\$163,571.06

Cash on hand end of year	25,553.43
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\$189,124.49

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash on hand December 31, 1948	\$25,553.43	Overlay, levy of 1948	\$863.37
Taxes, levy of 1948	5,304.20	levy of 1947	48.76
levy of 1947	46.46	Overlay surplus	3,817.78
Classified Forest Land Tax	231.30	Revenue reserved until collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	405.97	Classified Forest	
Tax Title	30.00	Land Tax	\$231.30
Tax Possessions	570.00	M. V. Excise Tax	405.97
Due from State a/c highways	11,700.02	Tax Title Revenue	590.00
Due from County a/c highways	2,700.00		
State tax under-estimate	10.60		
County tax under-estimate	36.17		
		Sale Real Estate Fund	1,227.27
		Machinery Fund	47.84
		Compensation Insurance Fund	5,279.41
		Account balances carried to 1949:	400.80
		Federal Grants	
		Old Age Asst.	\$69.33
		Aid Dep. Children	27.80
		Edgar Brown Playground Fund	82.21
		Chapter 90	
		(Construction)	193.65

Assesors		
(Valuation book)	500.00	
Schoolhouse plans	2,000.00	
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Highway reimbursement loan		14,175.00
Surplus Revenue		17,902.93
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		\$46,637.15
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	\$46,637.15	

TRUST FUNDS

Trust & Investment Funds:			
Cash on deposit			
U. S. Gov't Bonds	\$36,313.28	Harriet Harding, Charity	\$2,757.77
	8,000.00	Harriet Allen, School	684.36
		Cemetery Gate Fund	33.51
		Cemetery Wall Fund	393.86
		Perpetual Care Funds	19,823.18
		Post-War Rehabilitation	8,845.22
		Library Funds:	
		Mary K. Hyde	831.50
		U. J. Shaw	2,489.09
		E. C. Flynt	103.52
		Julia E. Coy	645.04
		A. G. Tarbell	200.00
		E. B. Robinson	411.41
		Fitz. Warren	1,000.00
		Emily Woods	500.00
		Chamb.-Smith	617.36
		Jas. D. Lincoln	4,977.46
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			11,775.38
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	\$44,313.28		\$44,313.28

OUTSTANDING DEBT

Outstanding Dec. 31, 1948	\$15,000.00	Schoolhouse Bonded Loan	\$15,000.00
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Tax Collector's Report

1948

Commitments as per warrants	\$43,759.00
Abatements refunded	61.20

\$43,820.20

Cash to treasurer	\$37,715.84
Abatements	573.70
To tax title	-10.00

\$38,299.54

Less interest collected	12.54
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38,287.00

Outstanding December 31, 1948	\$5,533.20
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1947

Outstanding January 1, 1948	\$6,703.31
Abatement refunded	2.00

\$6,705.31

Cash to treasurer	\$6,789.38
Abatements	36.80

\$6,826.18

Less interest collected	169.63
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6,656.55

Outstanding December 31, 1948	\$48.76
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1946

Outstanding January 1, 1948		\$155.81
Cash to treasurer	\$151.83	
Abatement	6.00	
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	\$157.83	
Less interest collected	2.02	
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		\$155.81

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1948

Commitment as per warrants		\$4,591.75
Abatements, refunded		111.74
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		\$4,703.49
Cash to treasurer	\$4,185.78	
Abatements	111.74	
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		4,297.52
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Outstanding Dec. 31, 1948		\$405.97

1947

Outstanding January 1, 1948		\$234.04
Commitment		203.59
Abatement, refunded		7.00
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		\$444.63

Cash to treasurer	\$407.66	
Abatements	38.58	
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	\$446.24	
Less interest collected	1.61	
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		\$444.63

HERBERT A. FOGG,

Collector of Taxes

Memorial Day Committee

The Memorial Day observance was well supported. The American Legion Auxiliary assisted by furnishing wreaths for the Soldiers' Monuments; the teachers and pupils provided a suitable program and music for the day. The Committee is grateful to Woodbine Grille and to Vi's Dairy Bar for the ice cream and popsicles given to the school children.

To Mr. Roe S. Clark who gave his services as speaker of the afternoon, we extend our hearty thanks.

GEORGE HITCHCOCK

PERCY N. MOORE

RAYMOND LEMMELIN

EVERETT D. LANDEN

MRS. LOUISA PHIPPS

MRS. ELIZABETH WELLS

GLADYS L. WEBBER

Committee

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

To the Citizens of the town of Brimfield:

During 1948 nearly all of the work done in the Cemetery was of a maintenance nature. The appropriation of \$800.00 voted at the annual town meeting proved sufficient for the work and also for the purchase of a small power mower. Early in the year, the "Fogg Lot" was purchased by the town, insuring sufficient space for the cemetery to be enlarged in future years. The stone masonry wall was quite badly damaged by lightning, but has been repaired in a satisfactory manner, with no direct cost to the town, being financed with funds from the "Cemetery Wall" fund provided by the Womens Business Club for such purpose.

An appropriation of \$750.00 is requested for the coming year. From this amount, the Commissioners plan to spend approximately \$50.00 to provide a duplicate copy of vital records to be kept in the vault at Town Hall. It is also planned to set up a cross reference index so that all information may be more readily available.

CHENEY F. NEWTON

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK

EVERETT D. LANDEN

Commissioners

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE OF CEMETERY

George E. Hitchcock	\$208.90	
Norman Howlett	28.67	
Louis Martin	23.55	
Philip Martin	22.95	
Joseph Theberge	5.00	
Cheney Newton	1.80	
Stanley Adams	5.40	
L. V. Howlett	25.60	
Raymond Howlett	10.85	
Federick Lawrence	1.60	
John Hitchcock	51.98	
Arthur Moreau	45.45	
Clarence Sherman	5.00	
Gordon Brown	11.70	
Clark Hayward	1.80	
Gabriel Carlson	35.00	
Roy Thompson	1.80	
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Total Labor		\$487.05
Brimfield Garage	\$29.58	
Haley's Grain Store	6.35	
Weidenmiller & Magovern	198.63	
Hatch's Village Store	5.35	
George Hitchcock	5.63	
J. A. Wesson	2.20	
Lindell's Express	1.00	
Compensation Insurance	6.20	
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		\$254.94

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

George Hitchcock	\$117.88	
L. V. Howlett	11.20	
Louis Martin	6.55	
John Romero	7.20	
Norman Howlett	34.42	
John Hitchcock	27.23	
Kenneth Howlett	7.20	
Cheney Newton	6.00	
Arthur Moreau	28.36	
Philip Martin	2.48	
George B. Hitchcock	2.70	
	<hr/>	\$251.22

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Amount of Fund	Balance Dec. 31, 1948
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	\$ 53.31
Jennie Agard	500.00	596.35
Stephen Agard	500.00	117.29
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	124.27
Charles S. Allen	100.00	104.06
George Allen	100.00	179.96
Elijah Allen	100.00	112.82
George Bacon	100.00	139.82
Massena B. Allen	100.00	105.98
Calvin Baker	100.00	108.54
Jonathan Bixby	100.00	102.18
Francis Bliss	200.00	259.43
Louis Blodgett	100.00	106.93
Francis H. Boardman	100.00	106.61
Sanford Booth	100.00	106.83
Asheal Bennett	500.00	563.11
Herbert Bradway	100.00	109.27
Charles O. Brown	100.00	113.51
Harriet Brown	100.00	140.47
Albert R. Brown	200.00	207.16
F. Edgar Brown	165.64	175.76
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	106.05
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	107.00
Arthur Brown	100.00	116.20
Dauphin Brown	100.00	105.25
Jonathan Brown	100.00	127.72
J. R. Brown	100.00	105.20

James Buxton	100.00	137.28
Darius & Abraham Charles	300.00	318.03
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	220.87
John Charles	50.00	51.08
Jonathan Charles	50.00	51.08
Aaron Charles	50.00	51.08
Abraham & Nathaniel Charles	50.00	51.08
Thomas & Thena Charles	50.00	51.08
Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	222.61
Chamberlain & Dyer	200.00	214.45
Charles & Bacon	100.00	105.86
Alfred Converse	100.00	105.71
Marcus Converse	100.00	112.66
Frank H. Cook	100.00	117.70
Miner Corbin	100.00	107.26
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	140.53
Seth Dunham	100.00	127.43
Charles S. Davis	100.00	107.09
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,054.26
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	106.18
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	125.96
Frederick M. Fenton	200.00	212.22
Ferry & Robinson	100.00	128.22
Ferry & Dix	50.00	53.85
John Foster	100.00	153.70
Etta Fiske	100.00	128.35
Marshall W. French	200.00	232.27
George A. Furness	75.00	80.46
Nathan Goodell	52.00	54.12
Mary L. Gould	300.00	304.19
William H. Green	200.00	208.66
Lyman Griggs	100.00	107.56
Troylis G. Grimes	100.00	100.83
Thomas Harwood	100.00	105.63
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	125.22
David Hitchcock	100.00	125.48
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	79.76

Orson Holdridge	50.00	53.46
Linus Homer	100.00	176.86
George Homer	50.00	52.13
Newton S. Hubbard	100.00	116.47
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	279.78
Albion Janes	100.00	124.45
Edwin Janes	100.00	122.85
David W. Janes	200.00	222.59
H. E. & C. R. Janes	100.00	105.83
William Janes	100.00	102.18
William S. Janes	100.00	102.18
Austin Jennison	50.00	53.11
Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	116.46
Asa Lawrence	50.00	53.27
Nellie A. Lewis	300.00	305.20
James and Asa Lincoln	500.00	589.26
F. A. Lombard	100.00	104.65
Charles E. Lumbard	100.00	122.57
Charles O. Lumbard	100.00	124.76
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	162.51
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	122.95
Nathan G. Lyman	75.00	80.00
Edward F. Marriott	100.00	105.38
Charles H. Moore	100.00	107.42
Joseph Marcy	75.00	80.56
Jason Morse	100.00	141.90
Albigence Newell	100.00	112.98
Abner Nichols	100.00	108.71
Emily Noyes	100.00	124.14
John Noyes	100.00	106.39
Cheney Newton	100.00	120.20
Arthur Palmer	100.00	107.02
Fred and Orra Parker	100.00	106.69
Melissa Parker	200.00	263.76
Porter Parker	200.00	250.89
Sumner Parker	100.00	106.94
Etta Pierce	100.00	154.45

Pierce and Dunsmore	200.00	216.71
Albert W. Pierson	100.00	106.05
Norman Powers	75.00	79.97
George Puffer	100.00	109.89
Augusta Rice	100.00	122.85
F. H. Robertson	75.00	78.91
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	232.55
E. T. Sherman	200.00	216.17
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	122.56
John Sherman	100.00	105.22
Harold and Orida Smith	100.00	101.83
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	106.59
Joseph E. Stegner	100.00	100.83
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	165.28
Everts Tarbell	200.00	238.56
John Tunison	100.00	112.67
Joseph Vaill	100.00	116.26
Charles C. Warren	100.00	121.48
Lily Warren	200.00	241.16
Fred M. Webber	100.00	122.07
Jane Webber	100.00	104.65
Jonathan Webber	100.00	134.28
Lilla and Charles Webber	100.00	107.77
Mary Wheeler	50.00	53.13
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	681.93
Wight and Foskett	100.00	114.42
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	105.93
Thomas Williams	200.00	226.00
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	105.63
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	\$17,167.64	\$19,823.18

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$1,231.53
Stanley Adams	893.78
Alonzo Carpenter	533.41
Joseph Travers	192.29
Oliver Veines	275.11
Fred Howard	47.56
James Knight	146.37
Roy Thompson	263.22
Ralph Stanton	32.80
John Stanton	59.45
D. J. Loux	9.50
James Hoyt	8.00
H. B. Landen	4.00
Milton Sherman	183.00
John Sherman	458.55
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	\$4,338.57

MATERIALS

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	\$474.23
The Barrett Co.	4,422.16
Hatch's Village Store	27.36
State Prison Colony	377.00
Louis Gagliardi	157.95
T. K. Lane	37.65

L. D. McKinstry	87.30
Wallace Fountain	532.80
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	\$4,895.01

MACHINERY

W. L. Moulton	\$1,469.35
Lyman Stanton	402.00
David Brown	202.50
John Moran	368.55
Moran Monumental Works	207.90
Harold Hitchcock	410.40
Arthur Jefferson	380.70
A. D. Kane	209.25
E. C. Supernor	190.00
Smola Bros.	40.00
Norman Lane	35.10
Ellsworth Bradway	302.40
Donald Morgan	64.80
Ralph Stanton	51.00
Town of Wales	5.20
Town Machinery	3,073.91

\$7,413.06

Compensation Insurance	137.35
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\$18,008.73

State allotment	\$14,174.00
Town appropriation	2,520.00
Trans. from General Highway	88.99
Refund, Barrett Co.	1,224.74

\$18,008.73

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$ 862.61
Stanley Adams	566.53
Oliver Veines	32.80
Fred Howard	13.12
Joseph Travers	68.88
Alonzo Carpenter	137.76
John Sherman	475.15
J. A. Wesson	127.75
James Knight	127.92
John Stanton	150.88
James Hoyt	2.05
Chester Bradway	8.50
Thomas Magrath	6.56
Thomas Smart	12.15
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	\$2,592.66

MATERIALS

Tucker Hardware Store	\$ 34.95
Hatch's Village Store	10.00
Haley's Grain Store	15.00
G. B. Sherman	.92
Louis Gagliardi	18.00
Mrs. Geo. Carpenter	335.00
Mrs. Agnes Hicks	263.70
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,091.12
The Barrett Co.	646.39
Warren Cement Block Co.	24.00
Harold Hitchcock	12.60
E. F. Fenton	40.00
Brimfield Oil Co.	6.53

E. J. Killian	19.56
State Prison Colony	120.00
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	\$2,637.77

MACHINERY

W. L. Moulton	\$1,184.25	
Arthur Jefferson	364.50	
E. C. Supernor	318.75	
Harold Hitchcock	364.50	
David Brown	729.00	
John Moran	102.60	
Ellsworth Bradway	97.20	
Ralph Stanton	30.00	
W. W. Jurczyk	50.00	
Smola Bros.	20.00	
Town of Brookfield	59.50	
Town of Wales	5.00	
Harry Thorin	4.00	
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	\$3,329.30	
Town Machinery	1,811.57	
Compensation Insurance ,	81.27	
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		\$10,452.57
Town appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State allotment	4,000.00	
County allotment	2,000.00	
Balance from 1947	2,629.35	
Transfers to cover disallowances by State	16.87	
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		\$10,646.22
Balance carried to 1949,		193.65
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		\$10,452.57

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

MAINTENANCE

George B. Sherman	\$64.95	
Stanley Adams	44.20	
Roy Thompson	32.80	
John Sherman	40.80	
Alonzo Carpenter	32.80	
John Stanton	32.80	
Ralph Stanton	29.52	
Oliver Veines	13.12	
The Barrett Co.	1,825.50	
Louis Gagliardi	43.20	
W. L. Moulton	207.75	
Ellsworth Bradway	70.20	
Arthur Jefferson	70.20	
Town Machinery	251.91	
Compensation Insurance	1.12	
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		\$2,760.87
Town Appropriation	\$700.00	
State allotment	700.00	
County allotment	700.00	
From Reserve Fund	23.75	
Barrett Co. Refund	637.12	
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		\$2,760.87

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL
HIGHWAY

LABOR

George B. Sherman	\$747.10
Stanley Adams	877.73
Ralph Stanton	297.92
Oliver Veines	122.59

Harold Hitchcock	110.54
Orville Pratt	68.86
Ernest Collette	18.61
Robert MacConnell, Jr.	23.78
Arthur B. Brown	11.07
Wesley Martin	6.15
Richard Hicks	61.44
William Hicks	6.97
Norman Howlett	29.50
James Howlett	32.50
Norman Wesson	16.81
Sydney Frye	50.43
Daniel Wells, Jr.	80.80
G. B. Sherman, Jr.	3.28
E. F. Fenton	11.48
L. V. Howlett	114.95
Robert Cutler	16.15
Kenneth Howlett	15.99
Robert Towne	26.24
James Adams, Jr.	16.85
Arthur E. Brown	42.20
H. B. Landen	1.64
Milton Sherman	38.54
Roy Thompson	69.79
David Pease	14.76
Harry Phifer	7.38
Raymond Fay	9.02
Raymond Howlett	19.68
John Stanton	36.08
John Sherman	207.15
Frederick Lawrence	156.28

Lawrence Bissell	16.81
Lyman Stanton	170.58
Philip Martin	11.48
James Plimpton	20.00
Alonzo Carpenter	49.20
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	\$3,638.33

MATERIALS

George B. Sherman	\$7.45
James Hoyt	58.18
Chemical Corp.	90.00
Haley's Grain Store	17.85
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	9.90
Chas. P. Barrington	146.77
Comm'lth of Mass.	38.73
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	\$368.88

GENERAL HIGHWAY

MACHINERY

Harold Hitchcock	\$64.00
Moran Monument Works	64.00
John Moran	112.50
David Brown	106.00
Daniel Wells, Jr.	82.25
W. L. Moulton	975.50
Town of Sturbridge	48.00
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	\$1,452.25
Labor	\$3,638.33
Material	368.88
Machinery	1,452.25

Town machinery	2,901.97
Compensation Ins.	77.99

\$8,439.42

Trans. to Chap. 81	88.99
Trans. to Chap. 90	14.67
Unexpected balance	756.92

Appropriation	\$9,300.00
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EXPENDED FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN MACHINERY

George B. Sherman	\$112.70
Stanley Adams	98.58
Ralph Stanton	43.46
Fred Lawrence	38.00
Lyman Stanton	11.48
John Sherman	27.20
Zabek Motor Sales	592.29
Brimfield Garage	942.46
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	1,143.29
Hitchcock Free Academy	100.00
Clark-Wilcox Co.	1,318.80
Hatch's Village Store	.70
Brighton Steel Co.	214.34
Haley's Grain Store	3.70
Eddie's Gulf Station	7.48
J. F. Place	2.23
Palmer Welding Service	61.50
Lindell's Express	.62
W. L. Moulton	653.70
C. A. Krohne & Sons	33.82
William D. Spooner	262.33
Valley Garage	25.23
O. R. Cote Co.	27.07

H. C. Maddocks	1.24
Christie & Thomson	12.54
Carey's Machine Shop	127.92
Goldstein & Gurwitz	132.50
Columbian Steel Co.	67.94
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	169.71
Dick's Radiator Shop	4.00
Harold Hitchcock	2.40
Brown Equip. & Mfg. Co.	130.53
Files & O'Keefe Co.	1.00
James Yelle	37.25
Compensation Insurance	2.29

\$6,430.35

Report of The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance

DECEMBER 31, 1948

This has been a very active year for the Board. Many changes involving considerable detail have been necessary because of new laws, a greater number of people have found it necessary to be aided, and there has been an unusual amount of illness of recipients. Increased payrolls, and increased grants have made extra appropriations necessary.

Nine applications for assistance were received. Upon investigation, six were approved, three rejected.

Starting September 1, all Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children payments were made in advance, as required by law. And all grants were adjusted and rewritten on October 1 in further compliance with law.

During the year 25 Old Age Assistance, 1 Aid to Dependent Children, and 7 General Relief cases have been aided. Of these 1 Old Age Assistance and 2 General Relief cases are chargeable to other towns, and 3 Old Age Assistance and 1 General Relief to the State.

	OAA.	ADC.	G.R.	OAA.	ADC.	G.R.	OAA.	ADC.	G.R.	OAA.	ADC.	G.R.
	Aided			Deceased			Discontinued			Continuing		
Brimfield	19	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	16	1	1
Other Towns	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
State	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
Out of Town	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Totals	25	1	7	3	0	1	3	0	3	21	1	3

ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

	Total Paid	Federal Grants	State Grants	Other Towns	Cost to Brimfield
Old Age Assist.	\$12,432.37	\$5,504.85	\$4,895.09	\$51.60	\$1,980.83
Aid Dep. Child.	2,669.72	666.00	889.91		1,113.81
Gen. Relief	3,652.17		158.36	27.00	3,466.81
Administration	588.90	208.12			380.78
Totals	\$19,343.16	\$6,378.97	\$5,943.36	\$78.60	\$6,942.23

The required semi-annual visits, and others when necessary have been made by the Committee. All accounts have been audited by Federal and State.

JAMES C. G. HOYT

LLEWELLYN B. NORTON

EVELYN B. LANDEN

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1948.

	Adjusted	Sealed	Condemmed
Platform scales	1	3	
Spring scales	1	2	1
Computing scales		3	
Avoirdupois scales	1	11	
Liquid measures		1	
Gasoline meters	5	19	

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Sealer

Report of Assessors

Town appropriations raised		
by taxation	\$76,677.70	
Appropriated from available funds	17,376.30	
Maturing debt	2,000.00	
State Parks	61.65	
State audit	448.80	
County tax	1,655.07	
Tuberculosis hospital assessment	32.35	
Retirement assessment	136.70	
Overlay	1,437.07	
Veterans Service district		
assessment	605.50	
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		\$100,431.14
Available funds and estimated receipts		57,771.54
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Net amount to be raised by taxation		42,659.60
Polls 372 @ 2.00		744.00
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Tax assessed on property		41,915.60
Valuation of personal property	\$194,900.00	
Valuation of real estate	852,990.00	
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Total valuation	\$1,047,890.00	
Tax rate—\$40.00		
Excise tax assessed on motor vehicles		\$4,647.84

The amount appropriated by the town at the annual meeting for printing the valuation book proved insufficient. At a special town meeting, an additional appropriation was defeated. As a result, no valuation books were printed this year.

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN M. HALEY

JOHN P. MOORE

Board of Assessors

Report of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met Sept. 11, 1948 and organized with Thomas Magrath, chairman; Howard Gerbracht, vice-chairman and Thomas D. Stone, secretary. At this meeting the committee acted on the articles in the town warrant presented at the special town meeting held the same night.

A special meeting was held Oct. 11, 1948 for the purpose of transferring the sum of \$300. from the Reserve Fund to Highway department, as this additional money was needed for scraping and grading badly rutted roads before Winter weather made such work impossible and no funds were available for that purpose.

A special meeting was held Dec. 13, 1948 to consider various articles in the warrant for the special town meeting held the same night. At this meeting it was voted by the committee that in the future the committee would hold regular monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month in the town hall at 8 P.M., to consider pertinent financial matters and at the same time to take up such financial items as might be presented by the various town departments, or by any interested citizen.

A regular meeting was held Jan. 3, 1949. Present was town accountant Mr. Frank Gifford. At this meeting the committee considered such items in the budget for 1949 as were not subject to considerable variation from year to year and the amounts to be approved were determined.

A special meeting was held Jan. 24, 1949 for general discussion, following which the Board of Selectmen were interviewed in regard to highway appropriations.

On Jan. 31, 1949 a special meeting was held at which time the Cemetery Commissioners' claims were considered and the members of the Welfare Board and School Committee presented their requests for appropriations in considerable detail.

Feb. 7, 1949, a regular meeting was held and upon request of the selectmen the committee was asked to take action upon the transfer of funds from the machinery fund to the machinery account. It was voted that the sum of \$2,500 be transferred. Following action at the town meeting held the same night, the finance committee held another special meeting at which time the complete budget for 1949 was considered in detail, as presented by the town accountant and the various departments and approved amount set up for each item. Also at this meeting the selectmen, tree warden and chief of the fire department were present.

A special meeting was held Sunday, Feb. 13, 1949 at 2 P.M., to make a field inspection of the canal bridge in East Brimfield.

The finance committee's recommendations for the 1949 budget appropriations will be found in detail on another page.

Sections 4 and 5 of the Town By-Laws as amended Feb. 2, 1931 make it mandatory that the Finance Committee shall set up a column of amounts which shall in their opinion be appropriated, but also, "Shall add thereto such explanations and suggestions in relation to such proposed appropriations as it may deem expedient" Also,

"It shall be the duty of such Committee to make an annual report of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters, to be printed with the annual reports of the other town officers".

In compliance with the above By-Laws the Finance Committee reports that during the past year considerable time and study have been given to the various Town Departments and their claims for appropriations for the Annual Budget considered in detail.

Very moderate increase in appropriations have been approved for the Fire Department, Charity, Old Age Assistance, Soldiers Benefits and Cemetery. The Schools have asked for and the Committee have approved a considerable increase in their Budget. All school costs of supplies, fuel, equipment, repairs and transportation have increased. Ceilings in the Academy will have to be repaired or replaced and salaries raised moderately, together with an "Increase in cost of living Adjustment" which is not considered permanent salary raise, but to bring so called take home pay more in line with that of other communities of comparable size and valuation. It must be taken into consideration that such increases in the Budget in several Departments are not Net increases in the cost to the Town, as State, County and Federal assistance and grants return to the Town a large part of such appropriations.

A study of appropriations for the past several years and the proposed Budget for 1949 would indicate that only enough funds are being voted to maintain highways, buildings and equipment in a usable condition and allow little for improvement or modernization. Future consideration must be given to permanent road improve-

ment, additions to the Grade School, probable increase in load of all divisions of the Welfare Board, and increases in other Town Departments.

The Finance Committee wishes to call attention to the fact that they are empowered to call an open meeting upon application of the Citizens of the Town of Brimfield, to consider any Article in a Warrant for a Town Meeting, and if the subject is of enough importance will be glad to do so.

The Committee wishes to thank the Town Accountant and all Town Departments for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS D. STONE

Secretary

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

This year we covered all the town roads and did some field work. We found and destroyed 3,588 egg masses of the gypsy moth.

PERCY N. MOORE, Supt.

BUDGET FOR 1949

			Finance Com.	
	Expended	Recommended	Recom-	
	1948	for 1949	mendation	
Selectmen	\$1,038.12	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	✓
Town Accountant	574.13	600.00	600.00	✓
Treasurer	750.00	750.00	750.00	✓
Tax Collector	767.64	800.00	800.00	✓
Assessors	948.78	1,000.00	1,000.00	✓
Certifying Notes	6.00	10.00	10.00	✓
Town Clerk	348.57	350.00	350.00	✓
Election & Registration	384.91	150.00	150.00	✓
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00	✓
Town Hall	1,201.44	1,300.00	1,300.00	✓
Police	156.80	150.00	150.00	✓
Fire Department	1,193.82	1,200.00	1,500.00	✓
Sealer	64.16	65.00	65.00	✓
Moth Suppression	274.41	300.00	300.00	✓
Tree Warden	45.70	50.00	125.00	✓
Reserve Fund		500.00	500.00	✓
Health	44.32	200.00	700.00	✓
Highways, Chapter 81	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,520.00	✓
Chap. 90 Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	✓
Chap. 90 Maintenance	700.00	700.00	700.00	✓
General Highway	8,439.42	3,000.00	3,000.00	✓
Street Lighting	930.96	931.00	931.00	✓
Charity	3,652.17	2,500.00	3,200.00	✓
Old Age Assistance	13,468.46	10,000.00	10,000.00	✓
Old Age Asst.				
Administration	438.90	300.00	300.00	✓

	Finance Com.		
	Expended	Recommended	Recom-
	1948	for 1949	mendation
Aid to Dependent Children	2,749.97	2,000.00	2,000.00
Schools	41,996.88	48,175.00	48,175.00
Trade School Tuition	393.39	500.00	500.00
Library	1,425.00	850.00	850.00
Soldiers' Benefits	165.64	400.00	400.00
Common	99.38	250.00	300.00
Memorial Day	111.06	125.00	125.00
Insurance, town property	510.80	550.00	550.00
Town Reports	327.98	375.00	375.00
Cemetery	741.99	700.00	750.00
Interest on temporary loans	154.31	200.00	200.00
Interest on maturing debt	340.00	300.00	300.00
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	\$89,065.11	\$84,951.00	\$88,626.00

Librarian's Report

During 1948 the circulation of books was somewhat less, due in a large measure to the fact that fewer books could be purchased. The general expense of running the Library has been greater because of the high cost of fuel.

Some of the children of the town have contributed books from their libraries to enlarge the children's department.

Summer visitors and descendants of former residents often use the library to look up family history.

All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNSMORE

Librarian

FICTION

Abbott, Jane	The Outsiders
Bassett, Sara W.	Within the Harbor
Bell, Margaret E.	Watch for the Tail White Sail
Burt, Katherine M.	Still Water
Cronin, A. J.	Shannon's Way
Fenner, Phyllis	Fools and Funny Fellows
Forester, C. S.	The Ship
Goudge, Elizabeth	Pilgrims Inn
Hale, Garth	The Victory of Paul Kent
Hendyrx, James B.	Blood of the North
Oppenheim	Up the Ladder of Gold
Queen, Ellery	Halfway House
Sabatini, Rafael	Mistress Wilding
Tarkington, Booth	Young Mrs. Greeley
Thomas, Lowell	Raiders of the Deep

NON-FICTION

Carnegie, Dale	How to Stop Worrying and Start Living
Encyclopedia Year Book	Story of Our Times
Meany, Tom	Babe Ruth
Miller, John H.	Men and Volts at War
Nehru	Nehru on Gandhi
Seaver, George	Albert Schweitzer: Man and his Mind.

JUVENILE

Adams, Katherine	Prince of Paris and 39 Stories for Children
Allis, Marguerite	Law of the Land
	Water over the Dam
Averill, Esther	Jenny's First Party

Barris, Anna
 Creekmore, Raymond
 Fisher, Lois
 Ford, Edward
 Mansfield, Carroll

Sari
 Salten, Felix
 Schneider, Nina
 Smocks, Nell S.
 Ullman, Frances
 Weil, Lise
 Williams, Alice
 Yates, Raymond

Red Tassels for Huki
 Little Fu
 You and the United Nations
 Jeff Roberts, Railroader
 Dawn of Creation
 Mr. Bug goes to Town
 A Story of Holland
 Fifteen Rabbits
 While Susie Sleeps
 King of the Forest
 Girl Alive
 Bill the Brave
 On Hampton Street
 Boys Book of Rockets

1948 Report
of the
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO
AGRICULTURE

BRIMFIELD, MASS.

The Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture consists of a board of nine unpaid members appointed by the County Commissioners. These Trustees are empowered by law to maintain one or more Agents or instructors in Agriculture, Home-making and County life, who shall meet the residents of the County individually and in groups for the purpose of teaching and demonstrating better practice in Agriculture and Home-making, the benefits to be derived from cooperative efforts, better methods of marketing farm products, and the organization of communities to build up country life. The statutes further allow the Trustees to receive on behalf of the County money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government..or by the General Court for any County..and may enter into any agreements..relative to Extension Work with adults and with boys and girls in Agriculture, Home-making and Country life. (G. L. Ch. 128).

In accordance with the above, the Hampden County Trustees during the past year maintained Agents who have been of service to all residents of the County. These

Agents have conducted meetings and demonstrations and made individual farm and home visits in connection with many phases of Agriculture and Home-making practices in all cities, towns, and communities in Hampden County. Some of these practices included Better Farm Management, Better livestock, Insects & Disease Control, Marketing, Soil Testing, Nutrition, Home Management, Farm & Home Accounts, Clothing, Slip Covers & Re-upholstering, Canning, Gardening, Crafts, and Community Organization with Farmers, Homemakers, and Boys and Girls both rural and urban. Their counsel and assistance has been available to all citizens of the County without charge.

Our Agents have made contacts in every city, town, and community in Hampden County during the past year in one or more projects and have been ably assisted by local committees or individual voluntary leaders as the occasion required. In Brimfield the following citizens have been of great assistance as voluntary leaders in such projects as were conducted during the year:

Mrs. Robert MacConnell, Mrs. Ruth Parker, Mrs. Gladys Whitten, National Pressure Cooker Co., Mrs. C. C. McCray, Mrs. Raymond Lemmelin, Mrs. Ralph Hall, Mrs. Emma Hastings, Mrs. Maurice St. Clair, Mrs. Walter J. Gerard and Mrs. Roland Phipps.

Some of the above leaders incurred the following expenses, either for travel or for the purchase of material needed to carry on the various projects under their direction: \$37.84.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1948 Appropriation	\$25.00	
Balance carried over from 1947	53.70	
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Total	\$78.70	
Expended in 1948	37.84	
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Balance available for 1949	\$40.86	
Appropriation recommended for 1949		\$25.00

NOTE: Any appropriation made to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture by the town is deposited with the County Treasurer and held to the credit of the Town for reimbursing local town leaders for their necessary expenses in conducting such work as may be assigned to them.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID
TO AGRICULTURE

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L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—1948

Member	Term expires
HENRY LACH, Chairman	1949
CLARK W. HAYWARD	1950
FRANCES LEMMELIN, Secretary	1951

Superintendent of Schools

HAROLD M. LADD

Office Hours

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 a.m. to 12:00 m. - 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

when school is in session

At the high or elementary school by appointment.
Telephone Monson 67-2 (office) or Brimfield 344 (residence).

Secretary to the Superintendent

HELYNN S. HALEY

Office Telephone—Monson 67-2

Residence—Monson 67-3

Office Hours

8:30 a. m. to 12:00 m.—1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.
when school is in session

School Physician	JAMES F. BUSH, M. D.
School Nurse	LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.
Supervisor of Attendance	EDWARD SHEERAN

Hours of School Sessions

High School: 8:45 to 12:04 — 12:45 to 3:00
Elementary: 8.45 to 12:00 — 12:55 to 2:55

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL — Three long blasts at 7:30 a.m.
Clark W. Hayward will have charge of notifying
the townspeople when there will be no session of school.

Entering Age of Children

Six years of age on or before the first of January
following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1948-1949

1948

September	8	Wednesday	Schools open
October	12	Tuesday	Schools closed—Columbus Day
	22	Friday	Schools closed—Hampden County Teachers Association Convention
November	11	Thursday	Schools closed—Armistice Day
	25	(Thursday)	Schools closed—Thanksgiving recess.
	26	(Friday)	Schools close Wednesday, Nov. 24 at 12:30 p. m.
	29	Monday	Schools reopen
December	23	Thursday	Schools close for Christmas vacation

1949

January	3	Monday	Schools reopen
February	22	Tuesday	Schools closed—Washington's Birthday
	25	Friday	Schools close for Midwinter vacation
March	7	Monday	Schools reopen

April	15	Friday	Schools closed—Good Friday
	19	Tuesday	Schools closed—Patriots' Day
	29	Friday	Schools close for Spring vacation
May	9	Monday	Schools reopen
	30	Monday	Schools closed—Memorial Day
June	*3	Friday	Elementary schools close for summer vacation
	*24	Friday	High school closes for summer vacation

* Tentative dates

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my seventh report as superintendent of schools. This report includes the report of the high school principal, physician, school nurse and various statistical tables relating to the operation of the schools.

STAFF

There have been no changes in the full time teaching positions during the past year. Mr. John Rainka has taught manual training on a part-time basis for several years and found it necessary to resign because of added responsibilities in his major teaching position. It has not been possible to find a qualified candidate for this vacancy.

Louise Dickinson was appointed acting principal of the elementary school.

OBJECTIVES

Schools train for leadership in a free society by creating real life situations. The method of presentation changes when it is evident that better results will prevail but the core curriculum remains more or less static. Over a period of years, experience has shown that certain basic facts must be taught at a given grade level and the extent of the program depends upon the ability of the group to assimilate related material.

The high school curriculum is not so restricted because a year's progress is measured in credits rather than fixed subjects. The pupil can map out those subjects that will prepare him for his lifework whether it involve a college education or prepare him to enter a vocation. High School subjects are becoming more exploratory because our highly organized society makes it mandatory that a person excel in one field of endeavor. The age of specialists is here and schools must adjust their programs accordingly. Testing techniques have been perfected to such a degree that it is now possible to determine a pupil's abilities and aptitudes rather definitely so that he can plan his career and avoid being a failure in life. Everyone is anxious to achieve economic security and this can only be accomplished by developing existing talents. Proper guidance programs in our schools point the way to a richer existence and create within the individual, a desire to keep on learning.

In-service training programs were set up after the last war to enable veterans to fit themselves for peacetime jobs. These men had a limited educational background but then service experience had shown them that there is no substitute for an education and they were anxious to learn. The federal government made it possible for a veteran to obtain a college education and today there are colleges with more than half of the student body composed of veterans. Preference extended the veteran had made it difficult for high school graduates to enter college and this has developed into a real problem. High school graduates have had to enter industry or business simply because there was no room for them in college.

Changes are taking place which may eventually give us an entirely new concept of elementary and secondary

education. There are schools today that substitute "interest areas" or "work areas" for grades, as they have always been recognized. Schools are operated twelve months a year with a highly organized physical education program involving a summer camp, operated at public expense. Many new school buildings that have been built are planned in such a way that much of the class activity is carried on out-of-doors because nature study takes on a new meaning in the lower grades. It requires a minimum of forty-five acres to provide a site for this modern school. All community activity centers in this school building and provision is made to take care of civic, recreational and educational needs. This plant calls for a larger investment than most communities are able to afford but it shows a trend in planning the school of the future.

Many new schools are under construction or being planned, in our own State and provision is being made for a vast new field of educational opportunities.

BUILDING NEEDS

The school population of Brimfield has shown a constant increase for several years and we have now reached a point where something must be done if we are going to be able to provide seating space for our pupils. The problem is state-wide and prompted the last legislature to take steps to provide financial assistance for communities facing a school housing shortage. This program is classed as an emergency and will last until the year 1951. Under the provisions of this act, it is indicated that the town of Brimfield would be reimbursed up to 50% of the cost of such construction and this is the maximum allowance.

The school department realizes that a minimum of three rooms should be added to the present elementary school building and has taken steps to obtain plans and specifications for such addition. The next legislature must provide the funds and the plans must be approved by the School Building Assistance Commission before any community receives this aid.

These facts clearly indicate that now is the time to expand building facilities because there will be no state aid available after the expiration of this act and every community will have to provide the funds in full.

A study of trends in the birth rate reveals that there will be a steady increase in school population until the year 1952 and then there will be a slight decrease for one year. Beginning in 1954 the number increases abruptly with a peak about 1958. All communities realize the problem and many are planning now to provide adequate school facilities.

The average life of a school building is between fifty and seventy-five years. Our high school building has been in constant use for over ninety years and subjected to hard usage because of the size of enrollment. Extensive repairs will be necessary in the near future.

State aid for the construction of regional high schools may have a direct bearing upon future plans for our high school pupils and it is simply a question of whether or not we want to take the initiative and qualify as a regional high school.

HEALTH

No school program is complete without adequate provisions for safe-guarding the health of pupils. Teachers

in our schools have to handle this activity because we have no director of physical education. There are many factors that have a bearing upon the general health of a community and the school is only one of them but since so much time is spent in school, between the ages of six and eighteen, there is opportunity to present many phases of health education.

The annual physical examination by the school doctor now includes a through examination to the waist with clothing removed. Parents are urged to be present at this examination if there are any specific problems that should be discussed. All cases needing attention are referred to the family physician.

New phases of the health program that are receiving increased attention are: attitudes regarding mental and emotional health; government in health; personal responsibility for community health; family and social life and personal health.

The school lunch program is justified only because it helps to build sound bodies. Corrective health measures center in the school program and with home co-operation, we can build a better community.

FINANCES

The upward trend in prices is still operating and this applies to the cost of running our schools as well as the family budget. Textbook publishers and supply houses see no relief until such time as there is a general decline in the cost of wages and materials.

Chapter 643, General Laws, replaces Chapter 70, which has governed the amount of state aid due the town for the support of schools. The amount of money re-

ceived by the town of Brimfield will increase under this new law.

Teachers are entitled to compensation commensurate with the position they hold in the community. They are charged with the responsibility of determining what sort of citizen we will have in the future and good citizenship is the foundation of our American Way of Life.

Additional state aid is received to defray increased costs of transportation. This, plus other reimbursements, is designed to carry the expense of our schools without increasing local real estate taxes. Since much of the State's revenue is derived from incomes, it is sound reasoning that more of that money should be distributed to the smaller towns.

Good schools are the best gilt-edged investment that money can buy.

CONCLUSION

I want to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee for their untiring efforts; the teaching staff for its continued loyalty and parents for their increased interest in our schools.

We are privileged to live in the best country on earth, a country teeming with golden opportunities. May we ever strive to guard our democracy with jealous pride and demonstrate by example that men cannot devise a better form of government.

Education is the key to world peace.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Sir :

I submit my seventh annual report as Principal of Hitchcock Free Academy, operated as Brimfield High School.

The school opened September 8, 1948 with an enrollment of 109 pupils which is about the same number we had last year.

Now and in the immediate future, secondary schools have an important responsibility for adjusting their total school program to the needs of our times. The schools must, and will, have a place in the shaping of the world to be. Each school must find its answer to the present challenge, "How can this school best continue to serve the Community and Nation".

Hitchcock Free Academy has a long and proud record of service to the community. All thinking people want that good record to continue. We must, therefore, determine now what we can do and what will contribute most to one great aim—education for all American youth.

If intelligent action is to be taken to enable the school to meet its needs, there must be some long-range school plant planning. This planning ought to be based on a consideration of these factors, the curriculum, needs of the community, population load, financial load of the community and the educational program of the future.

The action of the Alumni Association in appointing a committee to study the problem of bringing the Academy building up to date is a step in the right direction, but it is not enough. We need the help and cooperation of every citizen. We need to have everyone know and understand the aims and the needs of the school.

We are continuing our efforts in developing attitudes, knowledge and skills of citizenship through democratic procedure throughout the school. Our student council gives an excellent opportunity for the development of good citizenship.

Our testing program proves itself more valuable each year. It is especially helpful in guidance and placement.

A course in Driver Education has been added to the curriculum. This work is carried on in cooperation with the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The text books were paid for by our local garage proprietors, Mr. Loux and Mr. Goetz.

We are making other curriculum adjustments in order to make our program more functional in nature. It is not possible to list here all changes of emphasis in the various subjects, but be assured that we are doing our best to make the greatest possible use of the facilities we

have and are trying to keep abreast of developments in instructional procedure, particularly in the field of auditory and visual aids.

Good schools depend upon the quality of the teachers. You and the Brimfield School Committee are to be congratulated for setting up a new salary schedule which will make it possible to get and keep good teachers.

I wish to thank you, the school committee and faculty for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

ROBERT E. BRUCE

Appendix B-1

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The nurse visited the school twenty times during the school year. Dr. James F. Bush of Monson made the yearly physical examinations in September, October and November. Parents were notified of conditions needing medical and dental care. At the elementary school seven were found to have throat conditions, twelve needed dental care, there was one with a skin infection, one had a thyroid gland enlarged and one a slight heart condition. At the Hitchcock Academy notices were sent for seven tonsils, fourteen for dental conditions, four had chronic ear conditions and six had other troubles. Some were already under treatment and others are now under observation.

The children were weighed and measured. Vision and hearing tests were made. Nine home visits were made.

The State Psychiatric Clinic made its yearly visit to the schools and the Senior class and four teachers X-rayed at a clinic held at the elementary school in Indian Orchard. This clinic was sponsored by the State Department of Health and the Hampden County Tuberculosis Association. Late in December measles became prevalent among the elementary school children. There were four cases of scarlet fever and some chicken pox.

Respectively submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.

Appendix B-2

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd

Superintendent of Schools

Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

On September 22 and 29 and on October 6 and 20, the children of the elementary grades were examined. The high school students were examined on October 27 and November 3, 1948.

No evidence of contagious diseases was evident on these occasions. The general health of the children was satisfactory. A considerable number of dental defects seemed to be present. All apparent physical defects were recorded and the parents or guardians were to be notified of significant defects.

Very truly yours,

JAMES F. BUSH, M. D.

Appendix C

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

During 1948 the music department has tried to develop the instrumental program in the schools. A tonette class was started in the third grade. This combined with an instrument demonstration and a film on the instruments of orchestras and band has interested more pupils in the grades to study a band instrument. Due to the fact that the supply of used instruments is still limited a number of pupils are unable to take advantage of free instrumental lessons given in school. In spite of this difficulty a small group has been organized to serve as additions and replacements for our high school band.

The high school band played at Memorial Day exercises in Wales and Brimfield. The vocal instruction in the grades has been carried on as before with the singing of many rote songs and the necessary note reading. Music appreciation has also been taught with the playing of phonograph records and a new project known as Music Memory. The pupils learn to recognize the name of songs when they hear the theme played on an instrument or sung vocally. In April the Spring concert was held con-

sisting of vocal numbers and Folk dancing by those in the upper grammar grades. The mixed high school Glee Club sang a cantata, "The Walrus and Carpenter", and also sang at graduation.

I wish to recommend that a modern radio phonograph be purchased for use in the elementary school. The music department will benefit considerably as will all the teachers and pupils not alone musically but educationally. It will aid in preserving records used by the music supervisor. I also suggest that a school record library be established and a few records added to it annually.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the school committee and superintendent of schools for their recent efforts in improving our pianos by engaging a tuner and suggest this be done annually. I also wish to thank the teachers, superintendent and school committee for all assistance given me this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. RICHARDS

Supervisor of Music

Appendix D
Directory of School Staff
December 31, 1948

Position	Name	Training	Years Service in Brimfield	Total Years Service	Salary
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	†Harold M. Ladd	B.S. University of Ed.M. New Hampshire	7	28	\$1250
Secretary to the Superintendent	†Helynn S. Haley	* Bay Path Inst.	12	13	475
High School Commercial	Elaine P. Wright	* Nasson College	0	0	1700
English	Eugenia P. Tarbell	A.B. Mount Holyoke	14	17	2150
Math, Science	Freda B. Stegner	A.B. Mount Holyoke	17	25	2150
Sci., Soc. Studies	Robert E. Bruce, Prin.	B.S. University of New Hampshire	7	20	3000
Music	George L. Richards	B.M. N. E. Conservatory	1	3	650
Household Arts	†Moline P. Cheney	B.S. University of Tennessee	6	13	740
Manual Training	†John Rainka	B.S. in Ed. Fitchburg S.T.C.	10	13	840

Elementary School

I	Edna Peterson	B.S. Ed.M.	Boston University	3	14	1800
II	Gladys Webber	*	Westfield Normal	9	34	1820
III	†Elizabeth Wells	B.S.	Westminster	2	17	1800
IV-V (Sept. V-VI)	†Louise Dickinson Acting Principal	*	Perry School N. E. Conservatory	1	1	1900
VI (Sept. IV)	Mary Letellier	B.A.	Our Lady of Elms	1	1	1800
VII	Mary Gaudette	—	—	4	29	1800
VIII	Alice Motyka	B.A.	University of Massachusetts	1	1	1800
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			6	6	

* Diploma

† John Rainka resigned June 1948

Elizabeth Wells, Acting Principal Jan. to June, 1948

Louise Dickinson, Acting Principal Sept. to Dec. 31, 1948

‡ Part-time

Appendix E—Table I
ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1948
As of October 1

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 years or over and under 21
Total in Town			
Boys	14	108	
Girls	27	89	
Total	41	197	
In public school	28	187	
In continuation school			
In vocational school			
In private school	2	5	
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		2	
Not enrolled in any school	11	3	
Total	41	197	

Appendix E—Table II
AGE-GRADE TABLE
As of October 1, 1948

Age Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
I	11	16	3													30
II		8	11	3	2	1										25
III			5	14	7	1	1									28
IV			1	3	12	6	4									26
V					4	11	5	3	2							25
VI						3	7	7	1	1						19
VII							2	10	6	1	1					20
VIII									11	5	2					18
IX									5	13	5	1	1			25
X											5	8	2	1		16
XI											9	13		1		23
XII												2	5			7
Total	11	24	20	20	25	22	19	20	25	20	22	24	8	2		262

Appendix F

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS, 1948

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$1,266.02	
Helynn S. Haley	487.46	
John Manter	25.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co:	87.90	
Robert Bruce	8.45	
Henry Lach	75.00	
Clark Hayward	75.00	
Frances Lemmelin	75.00	
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		\$2,099.83

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Elementary	\$11,042.00	
High	13,769.00	
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		\$24,811.00

TEXTBOOKS

D. C. Heath & Co.	\$56.15
World Book Co.	3.63
American Book Co.	21.34
Allyn & Bacon	7.97
Laidlaw Bros.	38.54
Lyons & Carnahan	34.54
South-Western Pub. Co.	61.63
Boston Music Co.	31.38
C. C. Birchard Co.	1.06
Iroquois Pub. Co.	61.53

McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	6.13	
Beckly-Cardy Co.	8.00	
Ginn & Co.	57.16	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	23.86	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	56.25	
Gregg Pub. Co.	8.01	
	<hr/>	\$477.18

SUPPLIES

Springfield Office Supply Co.	\$ 53.49	
Hyatt Gas Co.	27.14	
J. L. Hammett Co.	132.94	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	25.44	
Mainco Trading Co.	505.38	
Cambosco Sci. Co.	60.21	
Mittag-Volger, Inc.	16.00	
Morine Cheney	18.70	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	61.46	
	<hr/>	\$900.46

WAGES OF JANITORS

Edward E. Sheeran	\$2,099.92	
Brown Bros.	20.50	
L. Victor Howlett	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,125.42

FUEL

Southbridge Coal Co.	\$749.80	
Squier & Co.	680.40	
	<hr/>	\$1,430.20

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Worc. County Elec. Co.	320.36
G. C. Winter Co.	19.93
Hatchs' Village Store	110.78
Faulkner Hardware Co.	45.80
Hillyard Sales Co.	68.30
Army & Navy Surplus Co.	11.40
K. M. Crawford	5.57
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	23.95
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	11.50
Frank Bros. Paper Co.	59.10
Ed. L. Canter, Inc.	6.95
Squier & Co.	1.75
Harry Thorin	6.40

\$691.79

MAINTENANCE

(Repairs)

Underwood Corp.	99.75
Springfield Office Supply Co.	3.00
Remington Rand, Inc.	110.79
Southbridge Coal Co.	28.00
E. J. Craig	25.00
Hatchs' Village Store	65.00
Arthur Macumber	15.00
L. Victor Howlett	9.00
Joseph Van Hook	36.23
Brown Bros.	20.50
C. B. Dolge Co.	30.99
W. Lloyd Moulton	175.00

\$618.26

LIBRARIES

McGraw-Hill Pub. Co.	\$ 5.00	
		\$5.00

HEALTH

Palmer Sports Center	14.40	
Hampden County T. Ass'n	200.00	
Yale H. Brown	4.11	
Dr. James F. Bush	75.00	
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		\$293.51

TRANSPORTATION

George Freeman	\$3,150.50	
William Spooner	1,432.00	
Arthur Brown	888.10	
Charles Wheeler	1,655.84	
Noah D. Fountain	597.60	
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		\$7,724.04

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Town of Brimfield	\$48.40
Trustees of Boston University	22.80
C. F. Newton	2.00
Com. Public Safety	10.00
H. E. Hitchcock	7.50
J. L. Hammett Co.	25.46

F. Edgar Hubbard	10.00
Palmer Register, Inc.	12.00

138.16

NEW EQUIPMENT

Jackson Chair Co.	\$131.19
Frank J. Jameson	550.54

\$681.73

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I submit herewith my first report as manager of the school lunch program in the Brimfield Schools.

A total of 14,554 class A lunches were served during the year and 1,651 of these were without charge. There were also a total of 9,070 class C lunches served.

This program is set up to be a non-profit endeavor. We charge the children the sum which is necessary to cover expenses. If all children patronized this program, the price would surely be reduced, because the greater the volume, the less the cost per lunch.

The diet was carefully planned to provide the highest nutritional value at a minimum cost.

Mrs. Homer Parker was in charge of serving lunches at the High School until the New Year. Mrs. Hayward is now serving until we can find some one with a car to take her place.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, and parents for their combined interest and cooperation. No lunch program can succeed without your support.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE DADY

Manager

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Supervisor

Appendix G

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS,

1948

Total Appropriation, 1948	\$42,000.00
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Receipts:

From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund, Part I	2,656.25
General School Fund, Part II	2,715.77
Superintendent's salary	483.33
Transportation (Chap. 71, s7A)	6,544.14
High School Grant	1,107.15
Tuition and transportation of state wards	4,727.08
Tuition, non resident pupils	3,634.51
Income that must be expended for the support of schools	2,000.00
Manual training department	15.70

Total Receipts	\$23,883.93
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NET COST TO TOWN	\$18,116.07
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SUMMARY

	Expenditures, 1948		Estimates
	High	Elementary	Total 1949
General expenses	\$ 1,049.91	\$ 1,049.92	\$ 2,099.83
Expenses of instruction			\$ 2,450.00
Teachers' salaries	11,042.00	13,769.00	24,811.00
Textbooks	208.83	268.35	477.18
Supplies	524.38	376.38	900.76
Expenses of operating			850.00
Wages of janitor	1,049.96	1,075.46	2,125.42
Fuel	749.80	680.40	1,430.20
Miscellaneous	299.00	392.79	691.79
Maintenance (repairs)	332.44	285.82	618.26
Auxiliary agencies			1,500.00
Libraries	5.00		100.00
Health	137.50	156.01	293.51
Transportation	1,960.00	5,764.04	7,724.04
Miscellaneous	57.00	81.16	138.16
New equipment	681.73		300.00
	<u>\$18,097.55</u>	<u>23,899.33</u>	<u>41,996.88</u>
Total appropriation, 1948			48,715.00
Total expenditures, 1948			\$42,000.00
			<u>41,996.88</u>
Balance, 1948			\$ 3.12

Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss.

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the seventh day of March, 1949 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following Town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare; one School Committee, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years.

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 p. m.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the support of various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement and purchase of town machinery, for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road and canal bridge in East Brimfield, said

money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 11. To elect one Trustee of the Harriet Harding fund for three years.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place of the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the town

by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 588 of the Acts of 1948 entitled "An Act authorizing increases of the amount of pensions payable to certain former public employees who have been retired and to beneficiaries of certain retired public employees."

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the school committee, or any other committee which the town may appoint, to co-operate with the State authorities in regard to obtaining funds for the proposed addition to the grammar school building, if and when such funds shall become available.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for an increase in the Highway funds, to allow an hourly wage increase of 15¢ per hour, for laborers and truck drivers, or take any action relative thereto. This article agreeable to the petition of James V. Howlett and others.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$118.56 in connection with Hampden County Retirement System.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to establish and maintain a Town Dump on property owned by the town on the Westerly side of Warren Road.

Article 21. To see if the town will recind the vote passed under Article 5 at the last annual town meeting, directing the Assessors to print valuation books.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to purchase water rights in connection with the elimination of canal bridge in East Brimfield.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, the Old Center Schoolhouse together with the parcel of land on which it now stands.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, the Old Center Schoolhouse to be razed, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair, maintain and construct sidewalks in the town of Brimfield, or take any action thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventh day of February, 1949.

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Selectmen of Brimfield

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OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Brimfield



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1950

Town Officers --- 1949

Town Clerk

MABEL B. PEIRCE

Treasurer

EUGENIA P. TARBELL

Tax Collector

ALMA L. FOGG

Selectmen

EDWIN F. FENTON

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Assessors

JOHN M. HALEY

Term expires 1950

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Term expires 1951

JOHN P. MOORE

Term expires 1952

School Committee

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Term expires 1950

FRANCES J. LEMMELIN

Term expires 1951

HENRY LACH

Term expires 1952

Board of Public Welfare

LLEWELLYN B. NORTON

Term expires 1950

JAMES A. G. HOYT

Term expires 1951

EVELYN B. LANDEN

Term expires 1952

Cemetery Commission

GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1950
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1951
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1952

Library Trustees

EUGENIA P. TARBELL	Term expires 1950
CHARLES A. DeLAND, JR.	Term expires 1950
ROBERT E. BRUCE	Term expires 1950
ALMA L. FOGG	Term expires 1951
AGNES B. HICKS	Term expires 1952
JOHN G. MANTER	Term expires 1952

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

RAYMOND D. CLARKE	HARRY B. LANDEN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	HENRY LACH
CHESTER H. NORTON	

Trustees Harding Fund

ALMA W. BISSELL	Term expires 1950
JAMES A. G. HOYT	Term expires 1951
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1952

Appointive Town Officers 1949

Town Accountant

FRANK S. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Streets

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK

Chief, Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

THOMAS S. MAGRATH

Inspector of Animals

CHESTER H. NORTON

Inspector of Slaughtering

DANIEL H. WELLS, Jr.

Sealer of Weights & Measures

ERNEST J. COLLETTE

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent Board of Health

DR. ROBERT BUSH

Burial Agent

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Measurer of Wood & Bark

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE

Fence Viewers

RAYMOND D. CLARKE WALLACE FOUNTAIN
RICHARD BRADWAY

Field Drivers

ERNEST DEMERS RALPH I. STANTON
RICHARD LUCIER

Finance Committee

FENTON R. HASTINGS	Term expires 1950
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1950
THOMAS D. STONE	Term expires 1950
HOWARD GERBRACHT	Term expires 1951
LEO LAVIGNE	Term expires 1951
HERMAN HAVEN	Term expires 1951
SAMUEL ORMSBEE	Term expires 1952
RAYMOND LEMMELIN	Term expires 1952
DENZIL BAGSTER-COLLINS	Term expires 1952

Jury List

RICHARD J. BROWN	THOMAS D. STONE
HARRY B. LANDEN	PHILIP T. BROWN
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK	LLEWELLYN B. NORTON
WARREN L. CAMPBELL	HAROLD D. JOHNSTON
JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY	

Town Clerk's Report

LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

77 Resident Fishing
 36 Resident Women's and Minor's Fishing
 4 Special Non-Resident Fishing
 37 Resident Hunting
 2 Non-Resident Hunting
 47 Resident Sporting
 11 Resident Sporting (Free)
 2 Resident Trapping

DOGS LICENSED—1949

114 Male	@	\$2.00	\$228.00
31 Female	@	\$5.00	155.00
45 Spayed	@	\$2.00	90.00
1 Kennel	@	\$25.00	25.00
4 Kennel	@	\$10.00	40.00

\$538.00

Less Clerk's fees, 195 @ 20¢

39.00

Balance paid Treasurer

\$499.00

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
March		
16	Suzanne Audrey Moreau	Arthur J. and Gertrude Hitchcock
April		
4	Richard Douglas Place	Joseph F. and Myrtle L. Machia
9	Ellen Ann Freeman	Wesley B. and Harriet Maddocks
May		
19	Cathleen Lorraine Johnston	Philip L. and Lorraine Knitter
26	Rebecca Ruth Allen	Richard C. and Barbara Chandler
29	Stillborn	
30	Kathryn Ann Pascale	William E. and Barbara Chaffee
July		
1	Gail Mary Branniff	Donald J. and Gabrielle LaPlante
11	Richard Vincent Gerard	Matthew V. and Peggy Jean Terry
September		
16	William Francis Pratt	William X. and Gertrude Killian
25	Kenneth Wilfred Booth	George H. and Eileen Sherman
28	Beatrice Mary Pelletier	Henry L. and Theresa Polucci
October		
10	Eugene Stevens Griswold	John A. and Edna Wadsworth
23	Kimberly Wright	Enoch G. and Elaine Phillips
25	Walter Franklin Waite, Jr.	Walter F. and Elsie Boone
28	Stephen Nahom Burnham	Walter J. and Florence Brennan
November		
15	Barbara Margaret Hichborn	Clyde L. and Shirley Mae Rose
16	Nancy Helen Jensen	Albert R. and Dorothy Miller
26	Robert Thomas Martin	James R. and Bernice Taylor
December		
4	Robert John Bertrand	Wilfred F. and Viola Winot

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
January				
31	Robert O. Ormsbee	Brimfield	Corinne Laurette Stanger	Brimfield
March				
16	Omer F. Bonnette	Southbridge	Miriam Emma Girard	Brimfield
April				
7	Reed F. Stewart	Boston	Gail Barbara Peterson	Newton
16	Jack E. Tucker	Brimfield	Dorothy E. McKenney	Jamaica Plain
June				
11	Kenneth R. Peachy	N. Y. City	Mary Janice Brown	N. Y. City
18	William Robert Flint	Windsor, Conn.	Carolyn Ruby Hunter	Windsor, Conn.
25	Isidore Tremblay	Sturbridge	Anita Clara Rosalie (Poirier)	Brimfield
25	Richard James Brown	Brimfield	Harriet Elizabeth Tarbell	Brimfield
August				
10	George H. Ryker	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Eva B. LaPointe	Holyoke
20	Eugene I. Roberts	Brimfield	Constance M. Greenwood	Palmer
September				
10	Real Joseph Poirier	Brimfield	Alice Mary Jarosz	Indian Orchard
15	Orlo Parsons Parker	Brimfield	Ina Grace Spear	Brimfield
17	Stephen John Hornacek	Stafford, Conn.	Barbara Louise Royce	Wales

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
October				
7	Ignatius Simon Sherris E. Windsor, Conn.		Gladys Hazel Laird	Brimfield
November				
26	Albert R. Hastings Brimfield		Katherine E. Conley	Spfld.
December				
17	Robert J. Phifer	Brimfield	Beverly A. Hatch	Brimfield
21	James Asa Adams, Jr. Brimfield		Carolyn Patricia Hicks	Brimfield
23	Albert L. Livernois, Jr. Holland		Hazel Catherine Puduski	Brimfield
31	Joseph Jean Lapointe Chicopee Falls		Marion Handler Pease	Brimfield
31	Robert E. Chaffee	Monson	Barbara E. Brown	Brimfield

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
January				
15	Alfrena Paine Wheeler	74	11	2
21	Samuel Deland	68	5	0
February				
21	Esther Marion Dixon Pratt	75	—	—
April				
2	Nicholas Cardaropoli	50	—	—
22	Harold Raymond Tripp	47	5	11
May				
6	Irving Prescott Sherman	76	4	26
12	Mary Karawajewski Kreczko	63	—	—
29	Stillborn			
31	Julius Horn	67	—	—

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
July				
1	Ida Frances Dimmick Hitchcock	76	11	4
August				
9	Anna Sophia Bannow Jensen	60	8	1
11	Joseph Tobias	5	—	—
29	Warren Howard Campbell	49	2	5
October				
1	Patrick Travers	80	1	20
December				
12	Lilla Crance Webster	93	0	21
30	Roland Carthell Phipps	57	7	3

BURIALS FROM OTHER PLACES

July	Miss Fostina Kenney	83
July	Mrs. Emma M. Goetze	80
October	Harrison H. Brown	82
November	Moritz E. Goetze	80
December	Elting Deyo	79

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

Four special meetings were held in 1949, at which, routine appropriations for the successful running of town business were made.

An addition to the Elementary School has been under consideration for some time but it has developed that the need also extended to the Hitchcock Free Academy operating as the Brimfield High School.

At the last special meeting held December 2nd, it was voted: that a committee be established to study the educational facilities of the town, such committee to consist of one representative of the School Board, one representative of the Board of Trustees of H. F. A. who is a resident member of Board, one representative of the Board of Selectmen, one representative of the Finance Committee, all to be elected by their respective boards, the Town Accountant, and four members-at-large to be elected by ballot one at a time.

The four members-at-large then elected were Roger Bennett, Robert Bruce, Alice Matheson and Madelyn Reid.

Other members of this committee chosen to represent their various groups are Henry Lach of the School Board, Clarence B. Brown of H. F. A. Trustees, Andrew W. Gondek of the Board of Selectmen, Denzil Bagster-Collins of the Finance Board and Frank S. Gifford as Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL B. PEIRCE
Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1949	\$25,553.43	
Receipts during year	182,782.73	
	<hr/>	\$208,336.16
Paid on treasury warrants	\$172,960.28	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1949	35,375.88	
	<hr/>	\$208,336.16

I have verified the treasurer's balance by actual count of her cash on hand.

FRANK S. GIFFORD
Town Accountant

Jan. 1 1950

Report of the Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

General Revenue — Taxes

Current Year	\$37,386.79	
Previous Years	5,342.26	
Motor Vehicle Excise	6,467.94	
Classified Forest Land Tax, 1949	823.40	
Classified Forest Land Tax, 1948	198.80	
Income Tax	16,390.80	
Corporation Tax	5,948.38	
Reimb. Loss of Taxes (State)	553.27	
Meals Tax	326.37	
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		\$73,438.01

Grants and Gifts From State

High School Grant	\$1,107.15	
Mass. School Fund	7,555.90	
Vocational Education	155.95	
Union Superintendent	483.32	
Dept. Agriculture	21.50	
Veterans' Service	142.82	
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		\$9,466.64
From County, Dog Fund		463.66
Sealer's Fees		26.02
Licenses :		
Liquor		2,100.00
All Other		89.00

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	7,773.26
Aid to Dependent Children	843.37

HIGHWAYS

From State	\$23,458.87
From County	2,699.95
Town Machinery	7,527.36
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	\$33,686.18

Charities

Relief from Other Towns	\$57.00
Old Age Assistance from State	7,973.40
Aid to Dependent Children from State	694.39
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	\$8,724.79

Schools

Tuition, Town of Wales	\$2,958.60
Tuition, Town of Sturbridge	99.36
Tuition of State Wards	4,422.13
H. F. A. Instruction Fund	2,000.00
Sale of Material	10.00
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	\$9,490.09

Miscellaneous

Rent of Town Hall	\$461.00
Court Fines	145.20
Library Fines	11.25
Reimb. Digging Graves	68.00
Reimb. for Foundations	98.07
Sale Old Center Schoolhouse	746.41
Sale Cemetery Lot	10.00

Reimb. for Forest Fire	148.50	
Demands on Poll Taxes	13.30	
Comp. Insurance added to Fund	380.37	
Comp. Insurance Premium Adjustment	59.18	
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		\$2,141.58

Interest

On Taxes	\$163.08	
Perpetual Care Funds	199.39	
Library Trust Funds	122.70	
Post War Rehab. Fund	160.00	
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		\$645.17

Municipal Indebtedness

Loan in Anticipation of Revenue	\$15,000.00	
Loan in Anticipation of Reimb.	14,175.00	
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		\$29,175.00

Agency and Trust

Dog Licenses for County	\$499.00	
Withholding Tax for Federal Gov.	\$3,596.60	
Funds for Perpetual Care	550.00	
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		\$4,645.60

Refunds:

a/c Old Age Assistance	\$11.43	
a/c Insurance on old school	10.27	
a/c Veterans' Services	52.66	
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		\$74.36

	\$182,782.73	
Cash on hand beginning of year	25,553.43	
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		\$208,336.16

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries, selectmen	\$750.00
Moderator	15.00
Printing, postage, etc.	21.34
Association dues	15.00
Dog Officer	45.90
Filing fees	12.00
Telephone	48.51
Perambulating bounds	34.00
Travel expense	30.00
All other	72.77

 \$1,044.52

Balance	5.48
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Appropriation	\$1,050.00
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Town Accountant

Salary	\$540.00
Printing, postage, etc.	41.26
Other	3.72

 \$584.98

Balance	15.02
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Appropriation	\$600.00
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Treasurer

Salary	\$500.00
Clerical assistance	50.00
Printing, postage, etc.	104.16
Surety bond	35.00

Insurance	35.00
Deposit box rent	6.00
Travel expense	38.45
Other	4.85

 \$773.46

Balance	1.54
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 \$775.00

Appropriation	\$750.00	
From Reserve Fund	25.00	\$775.00

Tax Collector

Salary	\$550.00
Surety bond	53.75
Printing, postage, etc.	165.79
Other	15.24

 \$784.78

Balance	15.22
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Appropriation	\$800.00
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Assessors

Salaries	\$600.00
Clerical assistance	150.00
Printing, postage, etc.	21.61
Association dues	6.00
Travel expense	75.00
Registry service	25.25
Adding machine	112.50
Other	5.20

Valuation books, printing, typing and mailing	537.51
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 \$1,533.07

Balance		166.93
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		\$1,700.00
Appropriation	\$1,200.00	
Bal. from 1948	500.00	\$1,700.00

Town Clerk

Salary		\$200.00
Recording fees		73.00
Printing, Postage, etc.		67.88
Surety bond		7.50
Other		18.05
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		\$366.43
Balance		3.57
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		\$370.00
Appropriation	\$350.00	
From Reserve Fund	20.00	\$370.00

Election and Registration

Registrars		\$ 8.00
Election officers		42.40
Printing		56.00
Street Lists		68.00
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		\$174.40
Appropriation	\$150.00	
From Reserve Fund	24.40	\$174.40

Certifying Notes

Certification		\$ 4.00
Balance		6.00
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Appropriation		\$ 10.00

Town Counsel

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	\$100.00

Town Hall

Janitor's salary	\$530.00
Fuel	372.31
Light	80.04
Janitor's supplies	74.18
Repairs	23.45
New Fire Wall	260.00
Other	21.76

\$1,361.74

Balance	208.26
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\$1,570.00

Appropriation	\$1,300.00
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From Reserve fund	270.00	\$1,570.00
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Total, General Government	\$6,727.38
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police

Constables' Services	\$102.04
Flasher current	13.44
Badges	11.63

\$127.11

Balance	22.89
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Appropriation	\$150.00
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Fire Department

Salary, chief	\$ 50.00
Fire pay rolls	443.30

Oil permits	15.50
Fire permits	25.90
Insurance	221.55
Storage & Repairs	515.60
Equipment	932.22
Install auxiliary equip.	70.00
Telephone	102.95
Water holes	201.00

\$2,578.02

Balance 271.98

Appropriation \$2,850.00

Moth Suppression

Labor	\$249.40
Transportation	23.00
Supplies	6.65

\$279.05

Balance 20.95

Appropriation \$300.00

Tree Warden

Salary	\$ 25.00
Labor	56.00

\$ 81.00

Balance 44.00

Appropriation \$125.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary, sealer	\$50.00
Transportation	9.00

Equipment & Supplies	13.19	
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	\$73.84	
Balance	1.16	
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	\$75.00	
Appropriation	\$65.00	
From Reserve Fund	10.00	75.00
Total, Protection Persons and Property		\$3,139.02

Health

Slaughtering inspections	\$30.00	
Inspection of animals	54.10	
Salary, agent B. of H.	25.00	
Hosp. care and medical services	222.50	
Clothing	31.10	
Signs	16.00	
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	\$378.70	
Balance	321.30	
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Appropriation	\$700.00	

HIGHWAYS

Chapter 81

Labor	\$5,752.44	
Machinery	6,853.58	
Materials	5,476.96	
Compensation insurance	186.71	
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	\$18,269.69	
Balance	.31	
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		\$18,270.00

State allotment	\$15,750.00	
Town appropriation	2,520.00	
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		\$18,270.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Labor	\$2,155.63	
Hired machinery	1,478.50	
Town machinery	1,525.05	
Materials	2,788.89	
Compensation insurance	68.02	
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	\$8,016.09	
Balance carried to 1950	177.37	
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	\$8,193.46	
1948 bal. credited to state	.19	
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		\$8,193.65
Total appropriation	\$2,000.00	
State allotment	3,000.00	
County allotment	3,000.00	
Balance from 1948	193.65	
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		\$8,193.65

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Labor	\$201.83	
Machinery	277.05	
Materials	1,614.21	
Compensation insurance	6.88	
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	\$2,099.97	
Balance	.03	
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	\$2,100.00	

Town appropriation	\$700.00	
State allotment	700.00	
County allotment	700.00	
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		\$2,100.00

General Highway

Labor	\$1,385.38	
Machinery	1,378.90	
Materials	652.51	
Compensation insurance	38.41	
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		\$3,455.20
Appropriation	3,000.00	
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Overdraft		\$455.20

Street Lighting

Worc. County Electric Co.	\$930.96	
Balance	.04	
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Appropriation	\$931.00	

Machinery Account

Labor	\$426.48	
Insurance	416.59	
Rent	100.00	
Gas & Oil	1,293.56	
Supplies, repairs & storage	2,104.44	
Compensation insurance	10.85	
New truck	4,860.50	
Tractor loader	850.00	
Balance carried to 1950	2,202.76	
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Appropriation from fund	\$12,265.18	

Town Dump

Labor	\$219.88
Machinery	203.00
Materials and insurance	76.98
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	\$499.86
Balance	.14
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Appropriation	\$500.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	\$266.00
Expended	266.00
Total, Highways	\$43,600.19

Charity

Salaries, Welfare Board	\$150.00
Cash relief granted	229.10
Medicine & Medical care	89.26
Groceries & provisions	86.99
Relief by other towns	701.08
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	\$1,256.43
Balance	1,943.57
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Appropriation	\$3,200.00

Old Age Assistance

Federal grants, 1949	\$7,521.43
Town appropriation	13,000.00
Recovery	26.27
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	\$20,547.70

Cash grants	19,349.58	
By other towns	491.23	
	<hr/>	\$19,840.81
Balance in town appropriation	\$429.80	\$706.89
Balance in Federal grants	277.09	
	<hr/>	\$706.89

Aid to Dependent Children

Funds available from 1948	\$ 12.13	
Federal grants 1949	831.00	
Town appropriation	2,000.00	
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	\$2,843.13	
Cash grants	1,941.53	
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		\$901.60
Balance in Federal funds	\$54.00	
Balance in town appro.	847.60	
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		\$901.60

Old Age Assistance, Administration

Funds available from 1948	\$ 69.33	
Federal grants 1949	251.83	
Town appropriation	300.00	
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	\$621.16	
Salaries & Services	604.68	
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Bal. in town appropriation	\$16.48	

Aid to Dependent Children, Administration

Balance in Federal funds	\$15.67
Federal grant 1949	19.24

 \$34.91

Services	\$34.91
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Military Service Assessment

Raised by Assessors	\$432.50
Expended	\$432.50

Veterans' Benefits

Cash grants	\$140.00
Medical services	108.00
Groceries	101.81
Fuel	26.80
Board & Room	38.00
Refund to State	26.33

 \$440.94

Balance	38.05
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 \$478.99

Appropriation	\$400.00
Refund	78.99

 \$478.99

Total, Charities	\$24,551.80
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Schools

General administration	\$2,462.63
Teachers' salaries	27,560.00
Text books & supplies	2,056.00
Janitor Service	2,368.08
Fuel & Light	2,315.51
Repairs	816.05
Health	300.00

Transportation	10,159.50
Janitor's supplies	131.25
New equipment	452.23
Graduation exercises	25.41
Compensation insurance	42.78
Tuition	35.25
All other	49.90
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	\$48,774.59
Balance	.41
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Appropriation	\$48,775.00

Trade School Tuition

Tuition paid Springfield	\$199.87
Balance	302.13
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Appropriation	\$500.00

Library

Salary, Librarian	\$600.00
Assistant, East Brimfield	26.00
Janitor	180.00
Books	99.93
Fuel	325.31
Light	33.08
Care of grounds	22.00
Insurance	29.75
Repairs	91.95
Postage and supplies	16.37
Other	6.95
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	\$1,431.34
Balance	5.02
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\$1,436.36

Town appropriation	\$850.00
Dog fund	463.66
Income from funds	122.70

\$1,436.36

Common

Labor and supplies	\$236.83
Balance	63.17

Appropriation	\$300.00
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Memorial Day

Music	\$25.74
Plants	61.25
Flags	27.12
Other	10.89

Appropriation	\$125.00
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Insurance, Property

Premiums paid	\$313.02
Balance	247.25

\$560.27

Appropriation	\$550.00
Return premium	10.27

\$560.27

Compensation Insurance

Premium paid	\$427.26
Balance transferred to fund	2.74

Appropriation	\$430.00
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Pension Fund

Appropriation	\$118.65
Expended	118.65

Plans for Schoolhouse Addition

Balance from 1948	\$2,000.00
Expended	1,842.36

Balance	\$357.64
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Aid to Agriculture

Appropriation	\$25.00
Expended	25.00

Town Reports

Printing	\$377.00
Postage	11.31
Typing and mailing	20.00

	\$408.31
Balance	1.69

Appropriation	\$410.00
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Interest

On temporary loans	\$74.06
On highway loans	96.88
On schoolhouse bonds	300.00

	\$470.94
Balance	29.06

Appropriation	\$500.00
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Cemetery

Labor	\$614.48
Supplies and repairs	71.02

Compensation insurance	8.70
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	\$694.20
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Balance	55.80
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Appropriation	\$750.00
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Indebtedness

Temporary loan	\$15,000.00
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Highway loan	14,175.00
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Schoolhouse bond	2,000.00
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	\$31,175.00
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Agency and Trust

State Tax	\$503.43
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County Tax	2,329.42
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Dog licenses for County	499.00
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Perpetual care funds	199.39
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Perpetual care funds deposited	550.00
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Withholding tax	3,596.60
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Int. on Gov't bonds deposited	160.00
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Edgar Brown playground fund	15.00
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County hospital tax	41.30
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Refunds:

Poll & Property Tax	86.80
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M. V. Excise tax	341.88
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	\$172,960.28
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Cash on hand end of year	35,375.88
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	\$208,336.16
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FRANK S. GIFFORD

Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash on hand December 31, 1949	\$35,375.88	Overlay, levy of 1949	\$ 316.26
Taxes, levy of 1949	5,970.51	Overlay Surplus	4,736.21
Classified Forest Land Tax 1949	230.80	Revenue reserved until collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1949	831.69	Classified Forest	
Tax Titles	68.10	Land Tax	\$230.80
Tax Possessions	570.00	Motor Vehicle	
Due from State a/c Highways	8,700.05	Excise Tax	831.69
Due from County a/c Highways	2,700.00	Tax Title Revenue	638.10
County Tax under-estimated	505.55		
Overdraft, General Highway	455.20		<u>1,700.59</u>
			23
		Sale of Real Estate, Fund	794.25
		Sale Cemetery Lots, Fund	10.00
		Road Machinery Fund	541.59
		Compensation Insurance Fund	413.09
		Edgar Brown Playground Fund	67.21
		Account balances carried to 1950:	
		Federal Grants,	
		O. A. A.	\$277.09
		A. D. C.	54.00
		Chapter 90 Const.	177.37

Machinery Account	2,202.76	
Lucier Water Rights	2,500.00	
School Building Committee	250.00	5,461.22
		14,175.00
Highway Reimbursement Loan		27,192.36
Surplus Revenue		
		<u>\$55,407.78</u>
	<u>\$55,407.78</u>	

Tax Collector's Report

1949

Commitments as per warrants		\$45,015.00
Abatements refunded		86.80
		<hr/> \$45,101.80
Cash to treasurer	\$38,219.90	
Abatements	688.30	
To tax title	2.00	
	<hr/> \$38,910.20	
Less interest collected	9.71	
	<hr/>	38,900.49
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1949		<hr/> \$6,201.31

1948

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$5,551.60
Cash to treasurer	\$5,662.04	
Abatements	11.60	
To tax titles	27.00	
	<hr/> \$5,700.64	
Less interest collected	149.04	
	<hr/>	\$5,551.60

1947

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$46.46
Cash to treasurer	\$48.87	
Less interest collected	2.41	
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Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1949

Commitments as per warrants		\$6,878.88
Abatements refunded		329.46
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		\$7,208.34

Cash to treasurer	\$6,047.19	
Abatements	329.46	
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Outstanding December 31, 1949		\$831.69
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1948

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$405.97
Commitment Jan. 13, 1950		56.09
Abatements refunded		12.42

\$474.48

Cash to treasurer	\$422.67	
Abatements	53.73	

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Less interest collected	1.92	

\$474.48

ALMA L. FOGG,
Collector of Taxes

Memorial Day Committee

The Memorial Day Committee wish to thank the American Legion Auxiliary and teachers and pupils of the schools for their cooperation in the Memorial Day observance.

Special thanks are due Hatch's Village Store for ice cream given to the school children.

GEORGE HITCHCOCK

PERCY MOORE

RAYMOND LEMMELIN

EVERETT D. LANDEN

MRS. LOUISA PHIPPS

GLADYS L. WEBBER

Committee

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

The work performed in the cemetery during 1949 was entirely of a maintenance nature, every effort being made to insure a well kept establishment. However, the prolonged drought of the summer and fall did a great amount of damage and it is thought some new seeding will be required this year.

A duplicate copy of the records of the Commissioners has been prepared and is now in the vault at town hall. Also, a cross reference index has been set up, by the use of which, information relative to burials may readily be obtained. Future years and events may very completely prove the importance of these two accomplishments and the thanks of the Commissioners are most sincerely extended to the town and to the individuals who did much to complete the work.

For some time the Commissioners have felt that all burials should include the use of a permanent type grave vault and have presented an article for insertion in the annual town meeting warrant requesting the voters' approval of this requirement.

An appropriation of \$750.00 is requested for 1950. We feel this amount will be necessary to properly maintain the grounds and also to do whatever seeding and fertilizing may be necessary.

CHENEY F. NEWTON
GEORGE E. HITCHCOCK
EVERETT D. LANDEN
Commissioners

EXPENDED FOR GENERAL CARE OF CEMETERY

George Hitchcock	\$234.68
Louis E. Martin	23.18
Roger Mathieu	3.85
Philip Martin	7.20
Kenneth Howlett	1.80
Norman Howlett	5.85
Victor Howlett	51.05
Gordon Brown	6.30
Parker Wood	2.70
Ray Dionne	28.05
Jas. MacConnell	8.10
Mary K. Hitchcock	40.00
Robert Dionne	22.95
Arthur Dionne	108.58
Arthur Moreau	68.54
Clarence Sherman	5.00
Hatch's Village Store	2.90
George Hitchcock	7.55
Haley's Grain Store	7.85
James Hoyt	2.72
Harold Hitchcock	1.10
C. F. Newton	.95
Brimfield Garage	25.85
Weidenmiller-Magovern	7.30
Johnson's Bookstore	11.45
Compensation insurance	8.70

\$694.20

EXPENDED FROM ENDOWED FUNDS

George Hitchcock	\$74.93	
Jas. MacConnell	4.95	
James Howlett	1.00	
Arthur Moreau	13.50	
Norman Howlett	5.40	
Victor Howlett	20.25	
Ray Dionne	10.15	
Arthur Dionne	45.68	
Gordon Brown	6.75	
Philip Martin	5.85	
Robert Dionne	7.65	
John Hitchcock	2.93	
Hatch's Village Store	.35	
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		\$199.39

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Amount of Fund	Dec. 31, 1949 Balance
Henry Adams	\$ 50.00	53.47
Jennie Agard	500.00	607.43
Stephen Agard	100.00	118.74
Sullivan Alexander	100.00	124.96
Chas. S. Allen	100.00	105.25
George Allen	100.00	182.66
Elijah Allen	100.00	114.17
George Bacon	100.00	142.07
Massena B. Allen	100.00	107.20
Calvin Baker	100.00	109.81
Jonathan Bixby	100.00	103.33
Francis Bliss	200.00	263.74
Louis Blodgett	100.00	107.06
F. H. Boardman	100.00	107.84
Sanford Booth	100.00	108.06
Asheal Bennett	500.00	566.34
Herbert Bradway	100.00	110.56
Charles O. Brown	100.00	114.88
Harriet Brown	100.00	142.38
Albert R. Brown	200.00	210.42
F. Edgar Brown	165.34	178.38
Harrison H. Brown	100.00	107.28
W. Johnson Brown	100.00	108.25
Arthur Brown	100.00	117.63
Dauphin Brown	100.00	106.46
Jonathan Brown	100.00	129.37
J. R. Brown	100.00	106.41
Harold Butterfield	100.00	100.50

James Buxton	100.00	139.13
Darius & Abraham Charles	300.00	322.59
Frederic A. Charles	200.00	224.96
John Charles	50.00	51.20
Jonathan Charles	50.00	51.20
Aaron Charles	50.00	51.20
Abraham & Nath'l Charles	50.00	51.20
Thomas & Thena Charles	50.00	51.20
Harriet Chamberlain	200.00	226.17
Chamberlain & Dyer	200.00	216.92
Charles & Bacon	100.00	106.14
Alfred Converse	100.00	106.92
Marcus Converse	100.00	114.01
Frank H. Cook	100.00	119.15
Miner Corbin	100.00	108.51
J. Ellen Coy	100.00	142.44
Seth Dunham	100.00	125.46
Charles S. Davis	100.00	108.34
Annie Emmons	1,000.00	1,058.56
Anna T. Emmons	100.00	107.41
Levi Fairbanks	100.00	127.58
Fred M. Fenton	200.00	215.58
Ferry & Robinson	100.00	129.89
Ferry & Dix	50.00	54.02
John Foster	100.00	155.88
Etta Fiske	100.00	130.02
Marshall W. French	200.00	236.03
George A. Furness	75.00	81.17
Nathan Goodell	52.00	54.30
Mary L. Gould	300.00	309.40
William H Green	200.00	211.94
Lyman Griggs	100.00	108.81
Troylis G. Grimes	100.00	101.94
Thomas Harwood	100.00	106.84
Alfred Hitchcock	100.00	126.83
David Hitchcock	100.00	123.47
Edward Hitchcock	75.00	80.45

Frank G. Hitchcock	100.00	100.00
Orson Holdridge	50.00	53.62
Linus Homer	100.00	179.50
George Homer	50.00	52.01
Newton Hubbard	100.00	114.28
Mary K. Hyde	200.00	285.19
Albion Janes	100.00	126.04
Edwin Janes	100.00	124.41
David W. Janes	200.00	223.63
H. E. & C. R. Janes	100.00	107.04
William Janes	100.00	103.33
William S. Janes	100.00	103.33
Austin Jennison	50.00	53.27
Orsamus Kenfield	100.00	117.89
Asa Lawrence	50.00	53.43
Nellie A. Lewis	300.00	310.43
Jas. & Asa Lincoln	500.00	591.08
Frank A. Lombard	100.00	105.84
Charles E. Lombard	100.00	124.12
Charles O. Lombard	100.00	121.34
Elijah Lumbard	100.00	164.87
Lemuel Lumbard	100.00	124.51
Nathan Lyman	75.00	80.70
Edward P. Marriott	100.00	106.59
Charles H. Moore	100.00	108.67
Joseph Marcy	75.00	81.27
Jason Morse	100.00	143.84
Albigence Newell	100.00	114.34
Abner Nichols	100.00	109.98
Emily Noyes	100.00	123.01
John Noyes	100.00	107.62
Cheney Newton	100.00	119.89
Arthur Palmer	100.00	108.27
Fred & Orra Parker	100.00	107.92
Melissa Parker	200.00	268.15
Porter Parker	200.00	254.10
Sumner Parker	100.00	108.18

Etta Pierce	100.00	157.03
Pierce & Dunsmore	200.00	220.15
Albert W. Pierson	100.00	107.28
Norman Powers	75.00	80.66
George Puffer	100.00	111.18
Augusta Rice	100.00	124.41
F. H. Robertson	75.00	79.58
Ursula J. Shaw	200.00	236.31
Elijah T. Sherman	200.00	219.61
Bezeleal Sherman	100.00	124.11
John Sherman	100.00	105.50
Harold & Orida Smith	100.00	102.96
E. A. Stebbins	100.00	106.00
Joseph E. Stegner	100.00	101.94
Fannie Gates Smith	50.00	50.25
Rebecca Stoddard	100.00	167.69
Everts Tarbell	200.00	240.27
John Tunison	100.00	114.02
Joseph Vaill	100.00	117.69
Charles C. Warren	100.00	123.01
Lily Warren	200.00	238.83
Fred M. Webber	100.00	123.62
Jane Webber	100.00	105.84
Jonathan Webber	100.00	136.07
Lilla & Charles Webber	100.00	109.02
Mary Wheeler	50.00	53.29
Emily Wilkinson	600.00	684.75
Wight & Foskett	100.00	115.81
Lowell Wilcox	100.00	107.14
Thomas Williams	200.00	229.64
Joseph L. Woods	100.00	106.84
Constance Thompson	100.00	100.00
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	\$17,517.64	\$20,373.70

Highways

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81 LABOR

Harold E. Hitchcock	\$1,037.40
D. H. Wells, Jr.	601.41
Alonzo Carpenter	482.40
Frank Dickinson, Jr.	637.20
Ralph Stanton	690.30
George Dockham	676.35
Charles Day	309.15
Kenneth Howlett	86.85
L. Boudriault	447.75
M. Osgood	75.23
G. B. Sherman	158.10
Stanley Adams	113.90
Frank Jakshtis	100.64
Frank Dickinson	52.65
John Sherman	88.40
George Hitchcock	12.60
George Stanton	9.00
James Howlett	52.65
Percy Moore	3.60
H. B. Landen	15.30
Paul Costa	20.00
H. H. Landen	5.40
W. Kucharczyk	76.16

\$5,752.44

MATERIALS

The Barrett Division	\$3,883.85
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	726.35

Chemical Corporation	99.00
Harold Hitchcock	8.80
N. E. Concrete Pipe Co.	80.40
Hatch's Village Store	68.76
Valley Garage	6.00
E. F. Fenton	20.00
M. Orazulak	6.00
L. Gagliardi	89.70
Ciesla Bros.	54.60
E. G. Roberts	135.00
Agnes Hicks	207.00
A. Gilman	91.50
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	\$5,476.96

MACHINERY

Town of Warren	\$338.70
Morgan Bros.	73.50
Smola Bros.	51.00
Town of Hardwick	429.80
E. C. Supernor	301.25
Ralph Stanton	366.00
John Lizak	76.00
Jos. Mottes Co.	27.00
Ciesla Bros.	228.00
Lobik Bros.	56.00
Harold Hitchcock	594.00
Town machinery	4,312.33
Compensation insurance	186.71
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	\$7,040.29

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90
LABOR

Harold Hitchcock	\$449.45
George Sherman	53.30
Stanley Adams	27.20

John Sherman	27.20
D. H. Wells, Jr.	276.53
F. Dickinson, Jr.	278.55
Ralph Stanton	287.10
George Dockham	244.35
Cedric Burnham	7.20
Richard Goddard	30.00
Charles Day	92.70
Alonzo Carpenter	30.15
Roy Thompson	30.60
F. Dickinson	22.95
Kenneth Howlett	87.30
Richard Hicks	59.85
M. Osgood	151.20

\$2,155.63

MACHINERY

Jos. Mottes	\$77.75
Town of Brookfield	150.00
Morgan Bros.	9.00
Richard Stanton	81.00
Ciesla Bros.	48.75
Sumner Barr	12.00
James Howlett	4.00
F. J. Shields	5.00
David Brown	77.00
Geo. E. Duteau	178.00
E. T. O'Neil	650.00
E. C. Supernor	85.00
Harold Hitchcock	101.00
Town machinery	1,525.05

\$3,003.55

MATERIALS

Nap Biron	\$151.90
P. Ledoux	30.00

Arthur Gilman	13.50
L. Gagliardi	90.00
Agnes Hicks	220.20
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	166.13
Hatch's Village Store	14.35
Warren Cement Block Co.	18.00
State Prison Colony	414.00
The Barrett Division	1,265.21
East. States Farmers Exchg.	30.20
Harold Hitchcock	12.90
Frank W. Hance	156.75
E. F. Fenton	16.00
Webster & Webster	189.75
Compensation insurance	68.02
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	\$2,856.91

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Harold Hitchcock	\$33.15
D. H. Wells, Jr.	31.88
Ralph Stanton	22.95
F. Dickinson, Jr.	22.95
George Dockham	22.95
L. Boudriault	22.95
F. Dickinson	22.05
Charles Day	22.95
The Barrett Division	1,494.21
Harold Hitchcock	76.50
L. Gagliardi	43.50
James Howlett	14.40
Compensation insurance	6.88
Town machinery	262.65
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	\$2,099.97

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL HIGHWAY

LABOR

George Sherman	\$225.03
Stanley Adams	176.38
John Sherman	156.83
Harold Hitchcock	150.00
D. H. Wells, Jr.	92.40
Alonzo Carpenter	45.00
Ralph Stanton	100.98
Wilfrid Bertrand	44.28
F. Dickinson, Jr.	85.70
Milton Sherman	26.24
Kenneth Howlett	63.20
Henry Snow	8.20
Parker Wood	17.22
L. Boudriault	15.30
J. F. Lawrence	9.00
Richard Hicks	29.00
George Dockham	48.10
Raymond Clarke	4.92
Charles Day	21.60
M. Osgood	36.00
Harold Johnston	13.00
Robt. MacConnell	2.00
Norman St. Pierre	6.00
S. Burnham	9.00

\$1,385.38

MATERIALS AND MACHINERY

N. E. Concrete Pipe Co.	\$26.80
Hatch's Village Store	37.63
G. A. Authier & Son	19.35
Faulkner Hardware Co.	1.50

Comm'lth of Mass.	9.80
Lewis E. Howlett	28.33
R. E. Ryan	24.00
Webster & Webster	12.75
Chemical Corporation	42.19
D. H. Wells, Jr.	139.28
Springfield Wrecking Co.	134.00
F. W. Hance	176.88
Harold Hitchcock	12.50
David Brown	42.75
Compensation insurance	38.41
Town machinery	1,323.65
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	\$2,069.82

EXPENDED FROM THE MACHINERY FUND

G. B. Sherman	\$72.45
Stanley Adams	53.55
John Sherman	20.40
Harold Hitchcock	103.13
D. H. Wells, Jr.	30.60
L. Boudriault	7.20
F. Dickinson, Jr.	29.25
Ralph Stanton	38.25
George Dockham	12.15
Kenneth Howlett	16.20
Arthur Brown	17.50
Richard Hicks	19.80
Al. Jensen	6.00
Compensation insurance	10.85
Place's Service Station	2.88
Harold Hitchcock	12.00
Valley Garage	167.55
John the Jack Man	24.00
Zabek Motor Sales	5,108.33
Faulkner Hardware Co.	23.32

Ernie's Garage	15.00
Eddie's Gulf Station	25.75
Gulf Oil Corp.	245.39
Reda Mfg. Co.	6.49
Mair's Tire Sales	37.26
Jones Petroleum Products	137.03
Brimfield Garage	561.81
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	882.51
Hitchcock Free Academy	100.00
William D. Spooner	416.59
Allen St. Welding Service	63.00
Carey's Machine Shop	3.00
Warren Campbell	1.92
Clark-Wilcox Co.	44.72
Palmer Welding Service	37.75
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	168.68
O. R. Cote Co.	24.60
Dingley Mfg. Co.	850.00
Frank W. Hance	16.42
Morrison Bros. Tractor Co.	287.27
Holmes-Talcott Co.	243.30
Bowker-Hamblin-Malmquist	118.52

\$10,062.42

Report of The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance

During 1949 the Board has received 8 applications for Old Age Assistance, 5 of which were approved and 3 rejected; 2 applications for Aid to Dependent Children, 1 of which was approved and 1 was withdrawn by the applicant; and 6 applications for General Relief, 5 of which were approved and 1 rejected.

Aid was granted to 25 Old Age Assistance cases in town, and 2 cases were aided by other towns. There were 2 Aid to Dependent Children cases. 5 General Relief cases were aided, 4 of which were chargeable to other towns and 1 case was aided by another town.

	Total Paid	Federal Share	State Share	Other Towns	Cost to Brimfield
Old Age Assist.	\$19,876.41	\$7,676.13	\$8,159.51	\$295.17	\$3,745.60
Aid Dep. Child.	1,935.78	888.00	645.48		402.30
Gen. Relief	1,106.43			337.59	768.84
Administration	781.65	321.16			460.49
Totals	<u>\$23,700.27</u>	<u>\$8,885.29</u>	<u>\$8,804.99</u>	<u>\$632.76</u>	<u>\$5,377.23</u>

On December 31, 1949, there are 21 Old Age Assistance cases in town and 1 in another town; 2 Aid to Dependent Children cases; 1 General Relief case in town, and 1 in another town which are continuing.

As of December 1, all Old Age Recipients received an additional monthly grant of \$4.00 for Leisure Time Activities, in accordance with Chapter 796 of the Acts of 1949.

During the year an Administrative Case Review was made by the Department. There have been the usual State and Federal audits.

JAMES A. G. HOYT

LLEWELLYN B. NORTON

EVELYN B. LANDEN

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

Following is my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1949.

	Adjusted	Sealed
Platform scales	1	4
Computing scales		3
Spring scales	1	4
Avoirdupois weights		19
Liquid Measures		3
Kerosene pumps		2
Gasoline pumps	6	17

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. COLLETTE
Sealer

Report of Assessors

Town appropriation raised		
by taxation	\$90,377.00	
Appropriated from available funds	12,354.00	
Maturing debt	2,000.00	
State parks	87.88	
State audit	448.80	
County tax	1,895.37	
Tuberculosis hospital assessment	55.97	
Retirement assessment	118.56	
Overlay	986.16	
Veterans Service Dist. assessment	432.50	
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		\$108,756.24
Available funds and estimated receipts		64,841.84
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		\$43,914.40
364 Polls @ \$2.00		728.00
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Tax assessed on property		\$43,186.40
Valuation of personal property	\$200,240.00	
Valuation of real estate	879,420.00	
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Total Valuation	\$1,079,660.00	
Tax rate \$40.00		
Excise tax assessed on motor vehicles		\$6,934.97

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
 JOHN M. HALEY
 JOHN P. MOORE
 Board of Assessors

BUDGET FOR 1950

	Expended 1949	Requested for 1950
Selectmen	\$1,044.52	\$1,050.00
Accountant	584.98	600.00
Treasurer	773.46	775.00
Collector	784.78	850.00
Assessors	1,533.07	1,000.00
Certifying Notes	4.00	10.00
Town Clerk	366.43	375.00
Election & Registration	174.40	450.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00
Town Hall	1,361.74	1,600.00
Police	127.11	150.00
Fire Department	2,578.02	3,500.00
Sealer	73.84	65.00
Moth Suppression	279.05	300.00
Tree Warden	81.00	100.00
Reserve Fund		500.00
Health	378.70	400.00
Highways, Chapter 81	2,520.00	2,520.00
Chap. 90 Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00
Chap. 90 Maintenance	700.00	700.00
General Highway	3,455.20	3,500.00
Street Lighting	930.96	931.00
Charity	1,256.43	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	19,840.81	15,000.00
Old Age Assistance Adm.	604.68	300.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,941.53	2,500.00
Schools	48,774.59	55,150.00

	Extended 1949	Requested for 1950
Trade School Tuition	197.87	300.00
Library	1,431.34	850.00
Veterans' Benefits	440.94	400.00
Common	236.83	150.00
Memorial Day	125.00	125.00
Insurance, town property	313.02	100.00
Town Reports	408.31	450.00
Cemetery	694.20	750.00
Interest, temporary loans	170.94	150.00
Interest, maturing debt	300.00	260.00
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	\$96,587.75	\$99,961.00

Librarian's Report

The Library during the year 1949 has not gained in circulation. It has cooperated with the church in its Adventure in Reading.

With the assistance of Mrs. Streeter the Librarian has begun to catalogue which has not been done for years. We have all the non-fiction finished and will do the fiction this year.

The Grange gave the book by Charles Gardner, The Grange, Friend of the Farmer. The Warren Button Club gave a year's subscription to the magazine Hobbies which has been enjoyed by many.

The Library lost a friend in the death of Dr. Sherman who had been a trustee for many years. We welcome the two new trustees.

All visitors are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. DUNSMORE

Librarian

Aldrich, Bess S.	Journey Into Christmas
Carroll, Gladys	West of the Hills
Clark, Howard	Mill on Mad River
Douglas, Lloyd	The Big Fisherman
Field, Peter	Outlaw Valley
Goudge, Elizabeth	Gentian Hill
Grey, Zane	Deer Stalker
Heckelman, Charles	Two-Bit Rancher
Hobart, Alice T.	Cleft Rock
Hueston, Ethel	Reverend Mister Red
Keyes, Frances	Dinner at Antoine's
Lancaster, Bruce	The Scarlet Patch
Loring, Emilie	I Hear Adventure Calling
Marquand, John	Point of No Return
Miller, Helen T.	Born Strangers
Patridge, Bellamy	Old Oaken Bucket
Shaw, Irving	Young Lions
Shott, Abel	Renegades Trail
Stanley	Buckskin Pard
Snow, Edward	Strange Tales from Nova Scotia to Cape Hatteras
Tarkington, Booth	Kate Feningate
Wees, Frances	Melody Unheard
Williams, Jay	The Good Yeoman

NON-FICTION

Blanchard, Roberta	How to Paint Trays
Churchill, Winston	The Gathering Storm
Eisenhower, Dwight	Crusade in Europe
Evan, F. B.	101 Ways to Increase the Value of Your House
Frankl, Lee	Home Repairs Made Easy

Gardner, Charles M.	The Grange, Friend of the Farmer
Gunther, John	Death Be Not Proud
MacDonald, Betty	The Plague and I
Overstreet, H. A.	The Mature Mind
Peale, Norman	A Guide to Confident Living

JUVENILE

Bailey, Bernadine	Pictures of Massachusetts
Flack, Marjorie	Ask Mr. Bear
Johnson, Irving	Yankee's Wonder World
Smithies, Ethel	Our Church

1949 Report of the TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD—1949

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth—Chapter 128—The Trustees For County Aid To Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are further empowered to maintain agents to conduct meetings or demonstrations—make individual farm and home visits and in all ways help to improve home and community interests in every way possible.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations or otherwise in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward better business, better living and better community service and have been ably assisted by hundreds of local volunteer leaders to this end.

In Brimfield the following citizens have been of real assistance in promoting such assigned projects as have been conducted during the year:

Mrs. Robert MacConnell, Mrs. Eugene Whitten, Mrs. Herbert Wright, Mrs. Ralph Hall, Mrs. Maurice St. Clair and Mrs. R. W. Bennett.

A total expense of \$37.05 was incurred during the year for either travel or purchase of material needed in carrying on the various projects by the local leaders. The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

Your 1949 appropriation was	\$25.00
You had a credit carried over from 1948	40.86
Total expended during the year 1949	37.05
Balance available for 1950	28.81
Recommended appropriation for 1950	25.00

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID
TO AGRICULTURE

LBB:c

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

This year we have again covered all the town roads and have done some field work. We found and destroyed 1,666 egg masses of the gypsy moth.

PERCY N. MOORE, Supt.

School Committee's Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—1949

Member	Term expires
CLARK W. HAYWARD, Chairman	1950
FRANCES LEMMELIN, Secretary	1951
HENRY LACH	1952

Superintendent of Schools

HAROLD M. LADD

Office Hours

Memorial Town Hall, Monson

8:30 a.m. to 12:00 m. - 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
when school is in session

At the high or elementary school by appointment.
Telephone Monson 67-2 (office) or Brimfield 344 (residence).

Secretary to the Superintendent

HELYNN S. HALEY

Office Telephone—Monson 67-2

Residence—Monson 67-3

Office Hours

8:30 a.m. to 12:00 m. - 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
when school is in session

School Physician	ROBERT BUSH, M. D.
School Nurse	LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.
Supervisor of Attendance	EDWARD SHEERAN

Hours of School Sessions

High School: 8:45 a.m. to 12:04 p.m. — 12:45 p.m. to
3:00 p.m.

Elementary: 8:45 a.m. to 12:00 m. — 12:55 p.m. to
2:55 p.m.

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL — One blast of the Fire Alarm
will indicate that there is to be no session of school.

Entering Age of Children

Six years of age on or before the first of January
following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1949-1950

1949

September	7	Wednesday	Schools open
	19	Monday	Schools closed—Springfield Exposition
October	12	Wednesday	Schools closed—Columbus Day
	21	Friday	Schools closed—Hampden County Teachers Association Convention
November	11	Friday	Schools closed—Armistice Day
	23	Wednesday	Schools closed at 12:30 p. m.— Thanksgiving Recess
	28	Monday	Schools reopen
December	23	Friday	Schools closed—Christmas vacation

1950

January	3	Tuesday	Schools reopen
February	22	Wednesday	Schools closed—Washington's Birthday
	24	Friday	Schools closed—Midwinter vacation
March	6	Monday	Schools reopen
April	7	Friday	Schools closed—Good Friday
	19	Wednesday	Schools closed—Patriots' Day
	28	Friday	Schools closed—Spring vacation
May	8	Monday	Schools reopen
	30	Tuesday	Schools closed—Memorial Day
June	*9	Friday	Elementary schools close for summer vacation
	*23	Friday	High school closes for summer vacation

* Tentative dates

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my eighth report as superintendent of schools. This report includes the report of the high school principal, school physician, school nurse, music supervisor and various statistical tables relating to the operation of the schools.

STAFF

The following teachers have been elected to fill vacancies existing at the end of the last school year: Norman R. Cournoyer, Commercial; Benjamin T. Davies, Music; Irma M. Davis, Grade IV; Joseph J. Degulis, Principal, Grade VI; Ethel A. Orr, Grade III; William T. Rogers, Grade VIII, Manual Training. A complete record of the training and experiences of all teachers will be found in Appendix D.

OUR HERITAGE

Local history is now a required subject in high school; the last session of the legislature passed a law making it mandatory that due consideration should be given those public spirited citizens who years ago, made our present community possible. These people should not be forgotten and the present generation should realize the sacrifices that they made.

The benefits that we derive from a democracy must be earned, they do not just happen to exist. The value of a mark or other award in school, is directly proportional

to the amount of effort that was required to earn it. School is life in miniature with problems graded to fit the chronological age of the pupil. The effectiveness of any school program can be measured by how well these life situations are presented.

Our forefathers were so busy carving a civilization out of a wilderness that they had little time for formal education but as society has become more complex, the need for a broad educational program is obvious. Research has advanced so rapidly that it is difficult to know how to educate for a few years hence. New forces have been unleashed that change our entire outlook on life and create difficult relationships between nations.

International relations are part of everyday conversation and the present generation must know the traditions, customs and environment of people in foreign countries to understand their political, economic and social viewpoints. We must teach such virtues as patience and tolerance if we hope to meet this challenge.

HOUSING PROBLEM

The congestion at the elementary school has been temporarily relieved by moving grade five to the town hall and employing an additional teacher. This arrangement is far from ideal because these pupils have no suitable playground and the room is too small but it seems to be the only solution to a difficult situation.

The crowded condition at the high school will become more critical so long as grades seven and eight are housed in this building. All plans to obtain adequate housing facilities have failed to date but a committee is now working on this problem and it is hoped that a solution may be found.

HEALTH

Health education is part of the curriculum in all grades. The main objective of a good health program is informative in that it aims to teach simple health habits that will become permanent through repetition. Schools do not in any way presume to assume health responsibilities that definitely belong to the home but no school program can succeed without home cooperation.

Physical examinations are conducted every year to detect physical defects that can be corrected by early treatment; these cases are referred to the parents concerned and are then the responsibility of the home.

Fluorine treatments for the prevention of tooth decay have been established in some schools to study its effectiveness. This program will bear watching because the proper care of teeth is a major problem with school children.

The schools welcome Dr. Robert Bush who has established an office in Brimfield and has been appointed school physician.

DO YOU KNOW?

That the average salary of our elementary teachers is \$2,120 per year.

That the average salary of our high school teachers is \$2,650 per year.

That the average salary of classroom teachers in Massachusetts is \$3,180 per year.

That 50% of our elementary teachers hold degrees.

That 100% of our high school teachers hold degrees.

That the main part of the high school building was built in 1856.

That the stage in the assembly hall of the high school has been used for a classroom for a number of years.

FINANCES

State aid for the support of schools in Brimfield is about double what it was last year so the increase in the budget has little to do with the tax rate. One additional teacher must be paid, the salaries of all teachers are far below the state average for classroom teachers; the cost of such items as fuel, textbooks and supplies has increased, three transportation contracts expire in June 1950 and these items must be considered in estimating school expenses for the coming year.

School expenditures are not a good example of consumer goods because supplies that are consumed become an investment and the returns are measured in terms of good citizenship. All communities are becoming more school conscious because they realize that the coming generation is entitled to a sound education; an increase in school population means an increase in operating costs.

CONCLUSION

I wish to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, Teachers and Parents for their continued interest in the welfare of our children. The newly formed unit of the Parent-Teacher Association has been most cooperative in serving as a liaison group between the home and school. May we constantly strive to improve our educational program.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I submit my eighth annual report as principal of Hitchcock Free Academy, operated as Brimfield High School.

School opened September 7, 1949 with 117 pupils enrolled. This continues the upward trend in enrollment for the past ten years. Our senior class of twenty two members will be the largest to graduate in the history of the school.

My thoughts at this time are, naturally, most concerned with the work of the committee elected by the town to study educational facilities. The committee is now studying many phases of the problem and will make specific recommendations at the annual town meeting. My past reports to you make my stand on school aims clear; I shall continue to endeavor to get the best education the town can afford for all its children.

I find that some people interpret our attempts to better facilities in the wrong way, with a tendency to forget the good work actually being done. This school

is rated in class A by the State Department of Education. We can, and do, certify graduates to college on an equal basis with any high school in the state. We have as fine a school spirit and feeling of cooperation between pupils and teachers, which leads to good citizenship, as can be found. There is no other alumni association as active and interested as ours. There are things that need attention. Most important are:

1. school subjects for those who drop out of school for lack of interest, or ability in academic work.
2. better facilities for health and physical education.

The Industrial Arts program although limited as to equipment, and number of pupils to whom it is available, shows increasing value to the school.

Your help in securing the use of the Monson High Gymnasium one afternoon a week is greatly appreciated. The boys get so much pleasure and benefit from the use of the gym that the time and money spent by some of the teachers and myself is given willingly.

Four teachers have completed courses in Colleges and University Extension during the fall semester. It is probable that during the year all our teachers will have taken at least one course leading to professional improvement.

The schools belong to the people and they will be as good as the people are willing to make them. There is a great interest in schools at the present time and I feel that the people are ready to demand the things that you as superintendent, the school committee, and the teachers have been pleading for.

I wish to thank all of you for your continued co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. BRUCE

Appendix A

**REPORT OF
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE**

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
Superintendent of Schools
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

Dr. J. F. Bush of Monson was school physician from January to November. In June he examined nine pre-school children who were to enter school in September. Parents were present and advised about their children. Dr. Robert Bush was appointed school physician in November and gave the yearly physical examination at all schools. Notices were sent to parents regarding defects needing corrections as follows: Tonsils, 27; Teeth, 19; Flat feet, 2; Extra wax in ears, 10; Glands, 1; Functional heart murmurs, 7; Poor vision, 5; Nasal obstruction, 1.

Hearing tests were made with the audiometer which was borrowed from the State Department of Public Health. Ten children seemed to have hearing loss and will be given a re-test soon.

The school nurse visited the school 20 days in the year. The children were weighed, vision and hearing tests given, records of physical examinations kept and 11 home calls were made.

Respectfully submitted,

LUELLA I. YOUNG, R. N.
School Nurse

Appendix B

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harold M. Ladd

Superintendent of Schools

Monson, Massachusetts

During the past semester the vocal program in the elementary schools has received careful attention. The foundation of all music education rests on the background of training which the child receives during his stay in the elementary grades.

High ideals of tone, time, and tune have been set forth which will outlast the actual remembrance of factual material. The results of this early training will come to fruition in years to come in the instrumental and vocal organizations of the high school and community.

The instrumental program is well under way. Free instruction is given in the fifth and sixth grades on band and orchestral instruments. A junior band has been organized and meets once a week.

The high school band is developing, but lacks many instruments of the middle and lower registers. To fill out the instrumentation, it is recommended that the school department acquire, over a period of time, those instruments not likely to be purchased by individuals (bass horns, bass clarinet and baritone saxophone).

A tonette class for third and fourth grades has been organized. This pre-instrumental training is a quick and interesting way for pupils to learn the fundamentals of music. If a child is quick to learn songs on a tonette, it is a good indication that he will succeed on a band or orchestral instrument.

The playing of records on inferior machines is harmful to the purposes of the listening program. It is recommended that electric record players be obtained for use in the schools, enabling the children to hear music at its best.

A mixed chorus is meeting once a week in the high school. This chorus has already performed at various school assemblies.

In closing, I wish to thank the superintendent of schools, the principals, and teachers for the cooperation and assistance given me this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN T. DAVIES

Appendix C

Directory of School Staff

December 31, 1949

Position	Name	Training	Years Service in Brimfield	Total Years Service	Salary
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd	B.S. Ed.M.	8	29	\$1250
Secretary to the Superintendent High School	Helynn S. Haley	*	13	14	557.50
Commercial English	†Norman R. Cournoyer	B.S.	0	0	2200
Math, Science	Eugenia P. Tarbell	A.B.	15	18	2450
Sci., Social Studies	Freda B. Stegner	A.B.	18	26	2450
Music	Robert E. Bruce, Prin.	B.S.	8	21	3500
Household Arts	‡Benjamin T. Davies	B. Mus.	0	0	525
Industrial Arts, VIII	Marine P. Cheney	B.S.	7	14	480
	§William T. Rogers	B.S. Ed.	0	0	2400

Elementary School

I	Edna Peterson	B.S.	Boston Univ.	4	15	2100
II	Gladys Webber	*	Westfield Normal	10	35	2120
III	§§Ethel A. Orr	B.A.	American Int.	0	0	2000
IV	°Irma Davis	*	Washington State	0	21	1800
V	Louise Dickinson	*	Perry School	2	3	2300
VI	Joseph J. Degulis, Prin.	B.S. Ed.	Fitchburg T.C.	0	0	2500
VII	Mary Gaudette		—	5	30	2100
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			7	7	

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- * Diploma
 - † Elaine Wright to June
 - ‡ George L. Richards to June
 - § Alice Motyka to June
 - §§ Elizabeth Wells to June
 - ° Mary Letellier to June

Appendix D—Table I
ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1949
As of October 1

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 years or over and under 21
Total in Town			
Boys	22	116	
Girls	26	94	
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Total	48	210	
In public school	25	196	
In continuation school			
In vocational school			
In private school	1	9	
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		2	
Not enrolled in any school	22	3	
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Total	48	210	

Appendix D—Table II
Age - Grade Table
As of October 1, 1949

Age Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
I	3	18	1												22
II		4	13	5	1										23
III			3	15	4	5	1								28
IV				2	11	4	3	1							21
V				1	4	13	8	3	2						31
VI						3	12	3	4	1					23
VII							3	8	5	1	2				19
VIII								2	11	4	2	1			20
IX									2	13	10	3			28
X										5	10	1			16
XI											2	6	2	1	11
XII												9	14		23
Total	3	22	17	23	20	25	27	17	24	24	26	20	16	1	265

Appendix E

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS, 1949

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$1,388.10	
Helynn S. Haley	557.52	
Clark Hayward	75.00	
Henry Lach	75.00	
Frances Lemmelin	75.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	106.61	
John G. Manter	35.00	
Edward Sheeran	69.80	
Mass. Ass'n. Sch. Com	5.00	
Wright & Potter	10.14	
Dr. Dana Cotton	10.00	
Makepeace Press	37.75	
Mrs. John Dady	28.11	
Robert Bruce	9.40	
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		\$2482.43

TEACHER'S SALARIES

Elementary	\$15,769.50	
High	11,790.50	
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		\$27,560.00

TEXTBOOKS

Beckley-Cardy Co.	\$20.42
D. C. Heath & Co	63.32
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	39.13
Scott, Foresman & Co.	121.55
Iroquois Pub. Co.	112.43
Lyons & Carnahan	34.20
Ginn & Co.	274.43
Harper Bros.	6.10

Macmillan Co.	47.39
Gregg Pub. Co.	12.40
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co	50.46
So.-West. Pub. Co.	21.95
Amer. Bk. Co.	2.62
World Bk. Co.	1.55

\$807.95

SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$182.24
Morine Cheney	91.21
Brodhead-Garrett Co.	38.90
H. C. Acci. Prev. Council	5.00
G. A. Authier & Sons	7.40
H. F. Lynch Lumber Co.	19.71
Mittag-Volger	6.00
Cambosco Sci. Co.	42.90
Mainco Trading Co.	599.16
H. T. Janes	4.25

\$996.77

WAGES OF JANITORS

Edward E. Sheeran	\$2,342.08
Percy N. Moore	26.00
Thomas S. McGrath	12.00

\$2380.08

FUEL

Squier & Co.	\$904.11
Southbridge Coal Co.	987.14
Hyatt Gas Sales, Inc.	13.50

\$1904.75

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Worc. County Elec. Co.	\$862.99
Faulkner Hardware Co.	20.34
Hatch's Village Store	107.78
Brimfield Garage	.65
James O'Keefe	14.00
G. A. Authier & Sons	27.95
Lewis E. Howlett	9.60
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	90.05
C. B. Dolge Co.	90.60
Frank Bros. Co.	61.50
Harry Thorin	10.10
Pineated Products Corp.	6.00

 \$1301.56

MAINTENANCE (Repairs)

Hatch's Village Store	\$69.44
Southbridge Coal Co.	17.40
Joseph Van Hook	28.85
Brimfield Garage	15.70
Lewis E. Howlett	12.80
H. E. Hitchcock	12.00
T. O. Aliengena	7.75
G. A. Authier & Sons	258.00
F. W. Nightingale	73.49
Harry Thorin	4.31
Arnold Cutler	185.00
Ernest Bridges	20.00

 \$704.74

LIBRARIES

Harper Bros.	\$6.10
Baker's Shop	5.30

Walter H. Baker	10.00	
O. H. Toothaker	3.27	
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HEALTH

Palmer Sports Center	\$9.80	
Dr. Robert Bush	100.00	
H. C. T. B. Ass'n.	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$309.80

TRANSPORTATION

George Freeman	\$3,084.00	
William Spooner	1,736.00	
Noah D. Fountain	1,502.30	
Charles Wheeler	3,527.40	
Andrew Gondek	216.00	
Emilie Bagster-Collins	74.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,139.70

TUITION

Town of Southbridge	\$35.25	
		\$35.25

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Town of Brimfield	\$52.78
Lindell Express	3.74

Com. Pub. Safety	10.00	
Palmer Register	\$12.00	
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NEW EQUIPMENT

Hotel Supply House	\$48.37	\$48.37
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SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Harold M. Ladd

Superintendent of Schools

Brimfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I submit herewith my second report as manager of the school lunch program in the Brimfield Schools.

A total of 14,683 class A lunches were served during the year, and 2,288 of these were without charge. There were also a total of 2,844 class C lunches served.

This program is set up to be a non-profit endeavor. The charge to the children is the sum which is necessary to cover expenses.

The diet was carefully planned to provide the highest nutritional value at a minimum cost.

Mrs. Murray Killian is a conscientious and capable co-worker, who has contributed greatly to the efficiency of the program.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee, and Parents for their combined interest and cooperation. No lunch program can succeed without their support.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE DADY

Manager

CLARK W. HAYWARD

Supervisor

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS — 1949

	Expenditures, 1949		Estimated
	High	Elementary	Total
	\$	\$	\$
General expenses	11,790.50	15,769.50	27,560.00
Expenses of instruction	138.67	669.28	807.95
Teachers' salaries	707.46	289.31	996.77
Textbooks			
Supplies			
Expenses of operating			
Wages of janitors	1,165.04	1,215.04	2,380.08
Fuel	1,000.64	904.11	1,904.75
Miscellaneous	737.74	563.82	1,301.56
Maintenance (repairs)	408.90	295.84	704.74
Auxiliary agencies			
Libraries	21.40	3.27	24.67
Health	159.80	150.00	309.80
Transportation	3,390.51	6,749.19	10,139.70
Tuition		35.25	35.25
Miscellaneous	34.63	43.89	78.52
New equipment	48.37		48.37
	<u>\$20,844.87</u>	<u>27,929.72</u>	<u>48,744.59</u>
Total appropriation, 1949			\$48,775.00
Total expenditures, 1949			<u>48,774.59</u>
Balance, 1949			\$ 0.41

NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD SCHOOLS

1949

Appropriation	\$48,175.00
Raised by taxation	600.00
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Total appropriation, 1949	\$48,775.00

Receipts

From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

School Funds, Chap. 643	\$12,276.80
Superintendent's salary	483.32
Transportation, Chap. 70, s7A	7,555.90
Tuition and transportation of state wards	4,422.13
Tuition, non-resident pupils	2,958.60
Income that must be expended for the support of schools	2,000.00
Manual Training Dept.	10.00
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Total Receipts	\$29,706.75
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NET COST TO TOWN	\$19,068.25

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting and election of town officers, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered after 7:30 P. M.

Town Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden, ss.

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield, on Monday, the sixth day of March, 1950 at 12 o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To give in their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, Tree Warden, five Constables, all for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare, one School Committee, one Assessor, one Cemetery Commissioner, two Library Trustees, all for the term of three years, also one Library Trustee for one year to fill vacancy.

Article 3. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the town and act thereon.

Article 4. To see what salaries the town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the support of various departments and activities of the town, payment of debts and defray expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Holland, Warren and Brookfield roads under Chapter 90, to be used with sums allotted by the State and County for this purpose.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Brookfield road, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 10. To elect one Trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place of the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees For Aid To Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$281.80 in connection with Hampden County Retirement System.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to require the use of a permanent type grave vault in all burials in the Brimfield Cemetery, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to form a Public Welfare District together with the towns of Holland, Wales and possibly Hampden, or with any of these towns, to be effective June 1, 1950, or to take any relative action thereto.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote that the salary paid to members of the Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance is not paid for the performance of duties required of the positions classified by Civil Service, but is a stipend for attendance at Board meetings only, or take any action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote that a salary in keeping with Civil Service rates be appropriated for the administration of the towns public assistance program, or take any action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to replace the roof over the town well, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a new tractor for the Highway Dept. and appropriate a sum of money for same, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund for the maintenance, care, replacement and purchase of town machinery, for the ensuing year.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to make up the overdraft in the General Highway account.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to indemnify Edwin F. Fenton, a member of the fire department of the Town of Brimfield for medical (and hospital bills if he had any hospital expense) bills incurred as a result of injuries sustained by him while acting as a member of the fire department, and raise and appropriate any sum therefor, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the town will accept and allow a town way shown as the southeasterly one of two ways on a plan entitled "Building lots, Green Pond, Brimfield, Mass., Property of Joseph LaFlamme", dated December 1939, prepared by J. G. Clarke, C. E., and filed in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book

20, Page 35, as laid out by the selectmen according to the following description:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of the Holland East Brimfield Road, at the southwest corner of lot #29, as shown on said plan; thence SOUTHEASTERLY three hundred thirty-seven and $\frac{4}{10}$ (337.4) feet along the southerly line of Lots #29, 28 and 27, as shown on said plan, to an angle; thence EASTERLY one hundred ninety (190) feet along the southerly line of Lots #27, 26 and 25, as shown on said plan, to the southeasterly corner of said Lot #25 (the above-described lines being the northerly line of the new town way); thence SOUTHERLY in the same course as the easterly line of said Lot #25, twenty (20) feet; thence WESTERLY and NORTHWESTERLY, in a line parallel with and twenty (20) feet distant from the northerly line of said new way, and along the northerly line of lands of James H. and Catherine M. Wayne and Joseph G. Fountaine, about five hundred twenty-seven (527) feet to the easterly line of said Holland-East Brimfield Road; thence NORTHERLY along the easterly line of said Holland-East Brimfield Road twenty (20) feet to the place of beginning. Said town way is laid out over land belonging to Joseph LaFlamme and is to be known as La-Flamme Road.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct and equip a three-room addition to the Center School building, determine how the money shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, and to appoint or elect a School Building Committee or take any action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to create a special unpaid board to be known as a Regional School District Planning Board to consist of three members in-

cluding one member of the School Committee, the same to be appointed by the Moderator as provided by provision of Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949.

Article 29. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Regional School District Planning Board.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to continue the existing Educational Survey Committee or take any action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the town hall and post office, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of February, 1950.

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Selectmen of Brimfield

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BRIMFIELD TOWN REPORT

Town of Brimfield, Mass.

BUDGET FOR 1950

AMOUNTS APPROVED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

Selectmen	\$1,050.00
Accountant	600.00
Treasurer	750.00
Collector	800.00
Assessors	1,000.00
Certifying notes	10.00
Town Clerk	375.00
Election & Registration	375.00
Town Counsel	100.00
Town Hall	1,300.00
Police	150.00
Fire Department	2,400.00
Sealer	100.00
Moth Suppression	300.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Reserve Fund	500.00
Health	300.00
Highways, Chapter 81.	2,520.00
Chapter 90, Construction	2,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	700.00
General Highways	3,500.00
Street Lighting	931.00
Charity	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	15,000.00
Old Age Administration	800.00

Aid to Dependent Children	2,500.00
Schools	55,150.00
Trade School Tuition	300.00
Library	1,000.00
Soldiers Benefits	400.00
Common	150.00
Memorial Day	125.00
Insurance, Town Property	100.00
Town Reports	450.00
Cemetery	700.00
Interest, Temporary loans	150.00
Interest, Maturing debt	260.00
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Report of the Finance Committee

The first Regular Meeting of the Finance Committee was held April 4, 1949 to discuss plans for the current year. Election of officers was deferred to the next regular meeting which was held May 2, the following being elected: Thomas Magrath, Chairman, Howard Gerbracht, Vice Chairman, Thomas D. Stone, Secretary. At this meeting the Board of Selectmen were present to give requested information.

At a meeting held June 6 the Selectmen advised that they had appointed Mr. D. Bagster-Collins to the Finance Committee, succeeding Mr. Thomas Magrath, who had been appointed Fire Chief. An election was held, Howard Gerbracht was voted Chairman, Leo Lavigne, Vice-Chairman, and T. Stone, Secretary. At

this meeting School Board Members, Messrs. Haywood and Lach were present to give information as to the proposed new addition to the Grade School.

A Special Meeting of the Finance Committee was held June 13 for further study of the School plans, and on June 21 another Special Meeting was held attended by all members of the School Board. The Town Accountant, Mr. Frank Gifford was also present to advise the Finance Committee in regard to financial background. At this meeting it was voted to transfer the sum of \$9.40 from Reserve to Election and Registration.

June 27 a Special Meeting was held to consider the Articles in the Warrant of the Special Town Meeting which was held that same night.

A Meeting of the Committee was held October 3 at which Messrs. Haywood and Lach were present to bring us up to date in regard to School matters, and Secretary Mrs. Evelyn E. Landen, of the Board of Public Welfare gave valuable information regarding Old Age Assistance.

A Special Meeting of the Finance Committee was held Oct. 10 to consider the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held that same night. At this meeting it was voted that the sum of \$270.00 be transferred from Reserve Fund to Town Hall, for payment of fire wall in basement of Town Hall, necessitated by the establishment of a school room in that building.

A Special Meeting of the Committee was held Nov. 7 to consider the Articles in Warrant for Special Town Meeting held that same night. At this time the Committee approved transfer of \$25.00 to Treasurer, \$20.00

to Town Clerk, and \$150.00 to Election and Registration, from the Reserve Fund.

Dec. 2 a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee was held to act upon various articles in Town Warrant presented to the Citizens at Special Town Meeting that same night.

A Meeting was held Dec. 5 at which Mr. D. Bagster-Collins was elected as Committee member to serve on the School Survey Committee. It was also voted to transfer \$10.00 from Reserve Fund to Sealers account.

A Regular Meeting was held Feb. 6, 1950 largely devoted to the presentation by Supt. of Schools Ladd and the School Committee of the proposed 1950 Budget. Also at this meeting Messrs. Bagster-Collins, Chairman, and Bennett, Secretary, of the School Survey Committee, were present to give information of the findings of their Committee.

A Special Meeting was held Feb. 22 at which the Welfare Board presented their requests for the 1950 Budget, and at which the Selectmen explained many of the items in the 1950 Budget, and also several special items that will come up in the Articles of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

A final Special Meeting was held Feb. 24 at which Mr. John Manter of the Library Trustees, Mr. Percy Moore, of Moth Suppression and Tree Warden, Mr. Ernest Collette, Sealer, and Mr. Thomas Magrath, Fire Chief, were heard. The Finance Committee then went over all items in the 1950 Budget, and Town Warrant for the Annual Meeting, setting up such amounts which in their opinion would be proper for the efficient operation of the various Town Offices and Departments.

The Finance Committee's recommendation for the 1950 Budget will be found in detail on another page.

In compliance with Section 4 & 5 of the Town By-Laws, as amended Feb. 2, 1931, the Finance Committee reports that for the current year it has held a total of 14 regular and special meetings.

Such items as Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, the Fire Department, Highways, and the School Department have asked for increased appropriations, and the Finance Committee have to a considerable extent approved same.

It is thought that the load of the Welfare Department will likely increase in the future, but a large part of such cost is returned to the town.

Also, although the School Department have requested a considerable increase in their appropriation a great part of the amount will be returned to the Town. Under Chapter 70, General Laws, Section 10, the Finance Committee finds it mandatory to specify the estimated amount to be received as School Aid, and other reimbursements for the support of schools. It is estimated that School Aid, transportation of pupils, state wards tuition and transportation, pro rata of School Superintendent's salary and expense, or in other words, the return from the Commonwealth, will be approx. \$24,738.15. From other sources there will be returned the approx. sum of \$4,968.60. The NET estimated cost to the Town of Brimfield will be approx. \$25,443.00.

It becomes increasingly apparent that if the Town is to replace old and worn out equipment in its various departments, maintain its roads, keep Town buildings in

repair, provide adequately for the Welfare Department, and provide for future School requirements, a very close study of all needs will be required by the heads of all Departments, Boards and Committees, with the co-operation of the Finance Committee, to prevent a sharp increase in Tax Rates.

The Finance Committee has found all Departments and Officers of the Town eager to be of service, and wishes to thank them for their valuable cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS D. STONE, Secretary

Report of the Fire Chief and Forest Warden FOR THE YEAR 1949

During the year 1949 the Brimfield Volunteer Fire Department responded to twenty-eight (28) calls. Fire damage in all cases was very slight. The Department now has a membership of one hundred and twenty (120).

Fourteen new water holes were constructed and fifteen others were reconditioned. This brings the total to thirty-five (35) available water holes.

During the year an additional Fire Station was established at Gilman's Filling Station on Route 20 in East Brimfield. This Station has been approved by the Fire Insurance Underwriters resulting in an insurance reduction of Three Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$3.70) per thousand on all property insured within a two mile radius of this Station.

Both Fire Trucks are now equipped for both house and forest fires and have been passed by the Underwriters.

In addition to the Red Phones that were located at the Fire Chief's House and Brimfield Garage two more red phones have been added, these are located—one at

Mr. Maddock's bedside and one in his store. Two additional buttons for blowing the siren have been installed at these points in addition to the one already at the Brimfield Garage. This signal installation gives the Town twenty-four (24) hour service.

Beginning March 1, 1950 there will be one signal for all fires—namely—three (3) blasts of the siren. The "NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL" of one long blast will be blown at seven thirty (7:30) A. M.

The 1950 Fire Dept. budget includes hose replacement, water holes, artificial Breathing Masks which are required by Law to be carried one on each truck and other equipment.

I want to especially thank the townspeople for being on the watch for fires and reporting them promptly.

In calling the FIRE DEPARTMENT use emergency Telephone 222, this being an open line for incoming calls only. Please do not use this number for other than emergency calls.

THOMAS S. MAGRATH, Fire Chief

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Sherman Room

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